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LAND of HIDDEN LAKES

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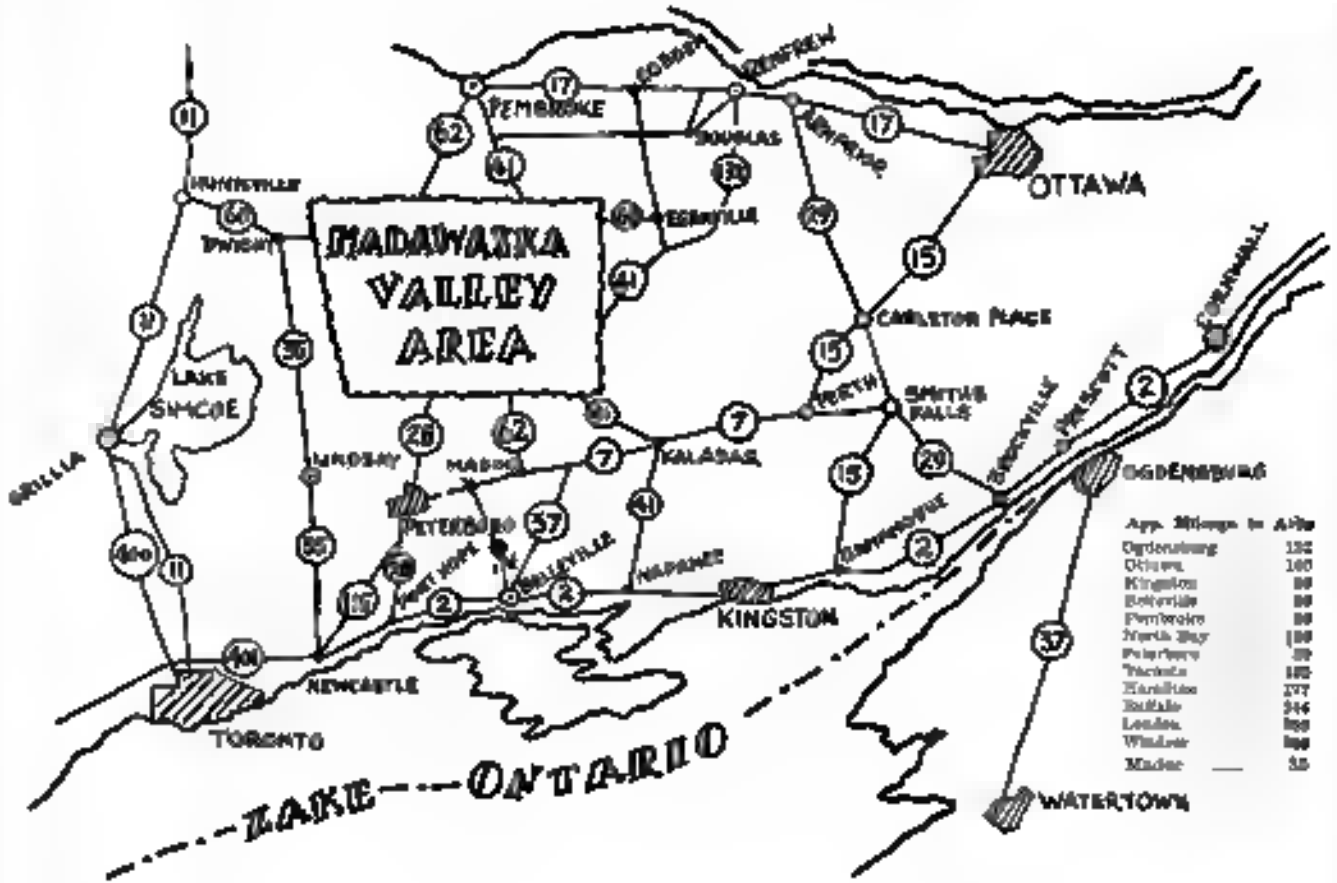
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The Madawaska Valley

Tourist Association

The Madawaska Valley Tourist Association hopes that you will enjoy our area. The cooperative efforts of our members are designed to further that end.

Each of our members displays on his premises his membership placard. That we may better serve you—now and in the future—we urge you to patronize our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association Members.

The cover picture is a typical scene taken in the area.

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Temperature (Degrees Fahrenheit)

The Air Services Meteorological Division of the Canadian Department of Transport summarizes the meteorological data of the area as follows

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	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Mean Daily Maximum	65	75	79	77	68	57
Mean Daily Minimum	41	51	54	52	43	34
Rain (inches monthly)	3 77	2.25	3 09	2.87	2 27	2 09
Average Hours of Bright Sunshine (est.)	230	250	240	250	175	130

From the above you will note a need for warm outer clothing for evening wear This is usually true no matter how warm the day may have been. No need here for air cooling machines to make sleep possible. On the other hand the long hours of sunshine warm the lakes for delightful swimming

The Madawaska Valley

Land Of Hidden Lakes'

(Eastern Ontario)

Before we launch into a description of the area let us discover whether we merit the title 'Land of Hidden Lakes' This title, by the way was bestowed by a popular Toronto "daily" and is not something dreamed up for purposes of promotion.

One of our members by referring to a government topographical map, counted 53 lakes within a seven mile radius of his premises This concentration is typical of the whole area Many are visible from the main highways but the majority are truly hidden along back roads and offer a challenge to the adventuresome tourist who wishes to seek them out.

You might like to prove our right to this title yourself Step off and seek out the "hidden" lakes mentioned in the descriptions of our highways.

IMPORTANT NOTE The Madawaska Valley Area is, geographically, a most homogeneous area. For this reason most of the descriptions to follow will read much alike We think all parts of the area can offer you a quiet restful vacation and that you will not be disappointed if this is what you desire

When you visit the Madawaska Valley you become central to Ottawa, Toronto North Bay You can readily visit the Federal Houses of Parliament in Ottawa The Provincial House in Toronto, the Museum in the Algonquin Park to the north and west or leisurely enjoy hundreds of miles of pleasant backroads—unpaved but generally in good condition

For those interested, Renfrew County to the east can offer At Arnprior an annual summer Regatta with participants coming from all parts of North America, the Ottawa River dotted with sail and motor boats, the Bonnechere Caves, one of Ontario's natural wonders—between Eganville and Douglas. At Cobden near Pembroke you will see a monument commemorating the finding of Champlain's astrolabe, where it was uncovered by a farmer while plowing his field

The Champlain Trail Museum at Pembroke assures an absorbing visit to anyone interested in the history of the Ottawa Valley region Its displays are devoted to Indian culture Champlain the Fur-trade Lumbering Pioneer-settlement and the modern era. Hours. Monday to Saturday 7—9 p.m. and Wednesday and Saturday 2—5 p.m.

At Deep River where Canada's Atomic Scientists live, the Ottawa River is said to be the deepest river in the world.

You will be welcomed at any of the 'Lookout Towers' maintained by the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests at Purdy Madawaska, Otonga Lake Quadville Moccasin Lake

Please be careful that you do not abuse their hospitality by careless handling of smokes or fires

The Madawaska Valley Area lies directly south of the eastern half of Algonquin Park and comprises approximately 2,000 square miles of scenic country in which the towns are approximately an average 1,000 feet above sea level.

It takes its name from the Madawaska (Algonquin Indian name meaning 'headwaters') River which rises in the Park traverses the Madawaska Valley in a southeasterly direction and finally drops to the Ottawa River at Arnprior

The Madawaska Valley is mountainous in nature and with its hardwood and evergreen forests and beautiful lakes has a lasting appeal to the lovers of the beauties of nature to the seeker after solitude to botanists ornithologists ichthyologists and to those who merely desire to soak up the sun—stop under a blanket—fish—swim—go boating —and enjoy good food in pleasant surroundings.

Places Along Highway 28 enroute to Bancroft

Paudash Lake

At the south western entrance to our area on Highway 28 is Paudash Lake a lovely body of water common to the Madawaska Valley and to the Haliburton Highlands Paudash Lake has been described as "one of the prettiest lakes in the Madawaska Valley It is nine miles long but has over 100 miles of shoreline due to the many inlets and bays and the many islands with which the lake is dotted. It is divided into three sections like a cloverleaf namely Joe's Bay Inlet Bay and North Bay In the background are beautiful hills and forest lands.

Running along the eastern shore of Paudash Lake is the old Monk Road This road has great historical significance as it was the road built by General Monk in the days of Champlain, going right through to Lake Simcoe where Champlain's monument stands today at Orillia.

HAY FEVER SUFFERERS Here is good news The Madawaska Valley Vacation Area has a pollen count of only 1 0 among the lowest in Canada. Our Valley now has residents who at one time were chronic hay fever sufferers and settled here for permanent relief

IF IT'S MINERALS. This is a Rock Hounds paradise. Many of these specimens are used for gem cutting A few of the minerals found are listed below Augite apatite amazonite beryl helasite, biotite calcite, cancrinite, corrundum diopside feldspar hackmanite hornblende molybdenite, magnetite, moonstone nepheline quartz, tourmaline uranhite.

Places Along Highway 62 enroute to Bancroft and North to Barry's Bay at Junction of Highway 60

Detlor

Some 40 miles north of Madoc is a turnoff to the right, to Detlor Concerning this side-road it has been written "The drive from Highway 62 down through Detlor is one of the most beautiful in the district. The hills in the distance take on a purple hue and the autumn colors are beyond compare Here too are plenty of nature walks and charming locales for picnics

L'Amable Lakes and Bay Lake

In the next two or three miles—and to the left—are the "hidden and charming L'Amable Lakes and Bay Lake L'Amable Lake is five miles south of Bancroft on Highway 62 This is one of the oldest settled parts of the district having at one time been part of the old Hastings stage coach road between Maynooth and Belleville

There are three lovely lakes bordering on the highway besides many off of the travelled road

L'Amable Lake the largest of the group is dotted with little islands well stocked with trout and bass. Stymers and Tait Lakes are stocked and enjoyed by people who like a cottage not too far from the main highway

Bay Lake derives its name from the number of bays which cut into its entire shore line The water is sparkling clear and an ideal home for the grey trout and bass which inhabit it. Bay lake is 4 miles south of Bancroft.

BANCROFT—The Town That Has Everything

Summer Resorts Lumbering Centre, Uranium Mines, any of these terms can correctly describe Bancroft. Ideally situated in the hills of Hastings County and the heart of the Madawaska Valley on the junction of three Provincial Highways this thriving community can possibly offer more attractions than any other in Ontario of comparable size Whether it is the unspoiled beauty of its lakes and streams (over 100 within a ten mile radius) or the booming prosperity of the four producing mines or the friendliness of its people or the romance of its lumbering industries, this fortunate town has something for everyone

Back in 1850 when the first hardy settlers set about making a home and living in the virgin country there was little idea of the progress which the town would make. Possibly that famous Canadian Senator "Billy" Flint, had some idea because he was instrumental in bringing in the lumbermen, merchants, craftsmen, and more settlers to the area. The community honored the good Senator by changing its name on October 15 1875 from York River to that of Bancroft the maiden name of Mrs. Flint. If the Senator and his wife could see Bancroft now they would be amazed and proud of its progress.

Yet Bancroft can offer relaxation to the visitor too. While keeping pace with its prosperity it can still offer that quiet vacation for those who require and want it. The high elevation and wonderful climate has attracted many summer and winter visitors in ever increasing numbers. Here visitors can enjoy all sports having a nine hole golf course, a large outdoor swimming pool, two theatres, dancing, boating, and hiking and just plain resting available for all. The area is sprinkled with many magnificent fishing lakes and streams, with first class accommodation located on most of them. In town there are two modern motels and a hotel, many fine stores, three banks, garages and service stations, large Legion and Community halls, as well as a well equipped and modern Hospital and telephone exchange. Bancroft is the headquarters for the Department of Highways, Department of Lands and Forests, also an L.C.B.O. store, and Brewer's Warehouse. Waterworks and Sewers are being installed and new Industry is coming in to the area. Public and High Schools where there are over 1200 pupils attending. An active Lions Club, a strong Legion, other Service and Fraternal Organizations.

The spiritual needs of the community are amply taken care of by churches of various denominations.

Highway 500

This highway when travelled eastward from Bancroft provides access to some beautiful backwoods country and productive lakes. Some names to conjure with are Boulter and nearby Fraser Lake, Hardwood Lake and Weslemkoon Lake—the latter reached at its northern end from McArthur's Mills (the approach to the southern end of Lake Weslemkoon is from Highway 62 north of Bannockburn between Madoc and Bancroft).

McArthur's Mills in the south central line of the Madawaska Valley is surrounded by beautiful streams and located near Wananaker Lake about 21 miles east of Bancroft.

You will get help where you see this sign

Here one may enjoy swimming, boating hiking along forest trails, or just a plain restful, quiet holiday

Best of all this is a fisherman's Paradise for small-mouth black bass lake and speckled trout pickerel and pike. For hunting there are deer partridge and ducks in the area."

This description applies equally to the other locales mentioned.

If your "home base" is on or near highway 500 try circling around the area using highway 62 between Bancroft and Barry's Bay as one arc of your circle If you have an eye for beauty you should enjoy these drives immensely Be sure you have your camera with you.

Lake Baptiste

The Lake Baptiste resort area is reached through turn-offs to the left of Highway 62 some four and seven miles north of Bancroft Since the first turn-off serves the south shore of Lake Baptiste whilst the northern shore is served by the latter care should be taken to be certain that the desired route is chosen else an unnecessarily long detour will result.

Lake Baptiste itself is enthusiastically described as follows

In the middle 1800's John Baptiste Dafoe an Algonquin Indian of the Lake of Two Mountains decided to come north and west in search of a good hunting and trapping district Today twenty-five mile long Baptiste Lake a widening of the York River bears his name, and some of his descendents still live on its shores. The village of Baptiste clings to its water edge at the foot of a steep hill and roads lead from it to Highway 62 then east and north to Barry's Bay and Ottawa or west and south to booming Bancroft and Toronto

Baptiste Lake offers twenty-five miles of navigable waters and its widest reach is three miles. It is fed by rivers and streams flowing in from the limitless miles of virgin country north reaching into Algonquin Park. The L H & O Railroad (Irondale Bancroft and Ottawa) now taken over by the C N R. was built along the south shore over seventy-five years ago, and has a grade leading away from the lake which is one of the steepest this side of the Rocky Mountains

You will enjoy your vacation at any one of the Baptiste Lake Resorts. Here you will find sandy beaches for the children, trout, bass pickerel and muskie fishing for the fisherman some of the grandest scenery for the nature lover and artist bushlands for the hunter lovely rock formations for the stone collector water sports for the venturesome and quiet peaceful surroundings for the loungee

Decide now to spend your vacation in this area which captivated the great Canadian artist, David Milne, and where he painted many of his best pictures.

Maynooth

From Bancroft (1672 ft) the highway rises (and falls) to Maynooth (1296 ft). Here Highway 62 bears away to the northeast to meet Highway 60 at Barry's Bay and Highway 127 proceeds somewhat west of north until it meets Highway 60 about 20 miles to the west of Barry's Bay. Both routes are scenic and one's choice must be left to the circumstances pertaining to one's plans. If sojourning in the area, the triangle comprised of Highway 127 and the parts of Highways 60 and 62 make up a pleasant afternoon's drive and photogenic subjects and pleasant picnicking spots abound.

Maynooth itself is a pleasant little village high on the brow of a hill. Here are four churches, four well-equipped garages and a hotel. Additionally three general stores, a hardware store and two restaurants guarantee that the visitor will have his needs well looked after. Some of the local "small fry" are branching out into the live bait business and solicit your support. If you are not sport-minded and want a holiday free from work and worry, try one of our lovely lodges and enjoy our high altitude of 1500 ft. and the restful blue of our surrounding hills.

"Our claim to fame is excellent fishing, hunting and old time dancing. We invite the naturalists to see our authentic Indian Pot Holes.

"Should you care to live with us and be a member of our happy family the year round—we welcome you, and invite you to share with us our modern five room school, bus transportation to high school, our excellent service club (Lions) and our Community Centre. We have good daily bus connections with any part of the province for your convenience."

Highway 127 from Maynooth

HIGHWAY 127 is the short route from **HIGHWAY 62** at Maynooth to Whitney and the Algonquin Park and enroute it opens up the important Lake St. Peter Resort Area.

Lake St. Peter

Like all the Madawaska Valley countryside there is charm and beauty in every vista. Of Lake St. Peter it can be said that it is a clear sparkling lake set in a ring of high hills. Ringed with cottages and resorts it offers a variety of diversions besides the sandy beaches which attract the youngsters and the new Lake St. Peter Provincial Park. For the sportsman there is trout fishing and for the nature lover old lumber trails provide access to the deep forest where one may inspect a beaver pond or indulge in bird-watch-

ing. An excursion to nearby Algonquin Park enables the children (big or small) to feed the deer or one may explore the nature trails or visit the museum. In the course of the trip one will cross the railway which carried the first wheat from the Canadian northwest to Montreal (the old Canada Atlantic Railway) now a part of the Canadian National Railways. The stage coach road which gave the first overland connection between Belleville and Ottawa by way of Pembroke passes the head of Lake St. Peter.

Papineau Lake

Papineau Lake a hidden lake is one half mile from and just north of Highway 62 between Maynooth and Purdy.

It is a beautiful Lake, 4 miles long with wonderful sandy beaches and high rocky bluffs.

It is accessible from Highway 62 on the west along Papineau Creek, from the south off Highway 62 and on the East thru Purdy and Bells Rapids.

They have lake trout, small mouth bass and pike with speckled trout and pike in near by smaller lakes. It is only a short distance across the portage to Bark Lake.

There are several housekeeping cottages, camps and a dance hall with many private cottages.

Purdy

Purdy is located on **HIGHWAY 62**, along the scenic lake of the same name. The Lake with the Island in the middle formerly called Loon Lake.

It is primarily a speckled trout area with 6 near by productive trout lakes, Echo being the largest and best known still produces some nice ones.

There is a service station, store, fire tower lookout close by a dozen sleeping cabins and several housekeeping cottage camps.

It was the birth place of the late John Dafoe who, for many years was editor of the Winnipeg Free Press.

Combermere

Combermere a scattered community of about 250 population, lies where **HIGHWAY 62** crosses approximately the middle of a 33 mile stretch of navigable waterway on the Madawaska River 825 feet elevation and free from hay fever

It has served the lumber industry in by-gone days, under the name of Denbigh Bridge when the square timber rafts were floated down from Algonquin Park to their destination in Ottawa, Quebec and across the seas to England There are still signs of the old log drivers Chute where the timber was floated around the rapids on Byers Creek

For that time it was a busy settlement with a tannery woollen mill, grist mill cheese factory blacksmith and shoe shop, and two hotels which served the river drivers.

Craigmount Corundum Mine employed 1100 men and the main contact with Barry's Bay was by the 'Geneva' ore boat now called 'the Old Scow' up the Marsh and the wood burning, steam rear paddle wheeler 'The Mayflower' which subsequently sank in Kamaniskeg Lake with the loss of 9 lives and strangely enough the only 3 men saved floated to the island on a casket being carried on the boat.

This area was discovered many years ago by our Ohio and Pennsylvania fishermen who then came to Eganville by train and the last 35 miles by horse and wagon Later they had a two day trip by automobile along old single track dirt roads. Now they whiz up from Ohio in 11 to 15 hours on good highways.

We still serve many tourists with accommodation in American type lodges, housekeeping camps, modern motels, private cottages camping hunting, fishing and hiking We have over 100 lakes within a 10 mile radius which have bass pike, walleyes lake and speckled trout with some plantings of splake and Kamloops trout

Combermere offers the Tourist the general services supplied by a community of its size and the resort operators and business men having these services listed on the insert are supporting our organization and solicit your patronage.

Up river there is the big lake, Kamaniskeg with its high wooded shores and sandy beaches Blachfish and Barry's Bay Two miles below Combermere the York River flows into the Madawaska and forms the famous Conroys Marsh with its 30 square miles of area. The York and Mississippi Creek out of Weslemkoon Lake give 24 miles of navigable

The man with that sign Member Madawaska Valley Tourist Ass. **is progressive**

Channel and many miles of fishable back water. A very satisfactory place for large mouth bass weed fishing pike, walleyes, and ducks but the hunting area is limited as the central part is closed for a refuge.

Our guests tell us our area is as nice as they have ever seen. We have many circuitous routes to go fishing explore some of our points of interest, climb a lookout have a picnic drive go rock hounding take pictures of scenery or birds have a partridge hunt or for just pure enjoyment of nature and quiet, away from the whiz of highway traffic city noises hustle and bustle.

We invite you to come early in the season to explore our area, come in the summer to enjoy your holidays and come in the fall when the trees are beautiful so you may relax before the long winter.

Highway 517

From Combermere Highway 517 follows the west side of the Madawaska and York Rivers to The Carlow road and leads to Boulter Fort Stewart and Herman.

Highway 515

On the East side of the river Highway 515 goes to Palmer Rapids and Quadeville and leads to the road through Schutt and Hazelwood Lake which connects with the S.E section of Madawaska Valley Area located in and around Denbigh and Griffith on Highway 41.

Halfway

Halfway is halfway between Combermere and Barry's Bay on the old road before the new 62 Highway was built which follows the much shorter route along the main waterway to Barry's Bay.

The old Halfway Road is 16 miles long narrow but picturesque giving access to 16 fishing lakes to the immediate vicinity. Long Dam and Wadsworth Lakes being the most prominent. Large Mouth Bass predominate although there are lake trout small mouth bass and pike.

There are lodging and housekeeping accommodations and also a youth camp.

Combermere to Barry's Bay

As you leave Combermere on **HIGHWAY 62** toward Barry's Bay you cross the Plains formerly solid big red pine. Later a turpentine factory cleaned up the stumps and the plains are now growing up in a new reforested plantation.

Some of our guests as they travel over **HIGHWAY 62**, call it "Sunset Drive" as the sun sinks over Blackfish Bay, Bedard Pond below Wensel Hill lookout and the waters of Barry's Bay as you approach the town of that name

Along the highway there are directions to several American plan lodges motels, gift shop and trails to several hidden lakes, one not over 150 yds. from the highway but still hidden.

Places Along Highway 60 enroute from Whitney to Killaloe

Driving east on Highway 60 through the Algonquin Provincial Park, the traveller enters the North Western side of the Madawaska Valley at the village of Whitney This picturesque little community is spread along the banks of the Madawaska River where it leaves Galeairy Lake or what is now commonly called Long Lake

Historically Whitney came into being when the Ottawa-Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway built by the famous Canadian Lumber King J. R. Booth and a group of Ottawa business men reached west into the Park in 1895 With the coming of the railroad Sir James Whitney then premier of Ontario and owner of the St. Anthony Lumber Co. sent his brother E. C Whitney to build and operate a saw mill on the Madawaska River at Whitney

The present townsite was named after Mr E. C Whitney and the house which was his home still stands.

The first lumber of the new saw mill was used to build many of the homes and other establishments which are still there today

Whitney is adequately equipped to look after the vacationer with suppliers of comfortable accommodation provisions motoring services etc. having their listings on the insert map inclosed with this brochure

L'Amable Creek

Some five miles East of Whitney Highway 60 crosses L'Amable Creek. Many a trout fisherman has wet his line here, and to the

searcher of nature's beauty spots, a fleeting glimpse of a hidden water fall may be seen to the right, just after crossing L'Amable Creek from the West

The Village of Madawaska

Ten miles East of Whitney lies the village of Madawaska. Here Highway 60 again crosses the Madawaska River at the head of Bark Lake.

The village of Madawaska was established before the coming of the railroad, which arrived in 1894 from Ottawa. Before the railroad Madawaska was a stop-over just off the old Opeongo trail for the sleigh trains of supplies moving north towards the timber limits in the Park. Of course it was also a stopover place for the old time "log drivers" bringing the logs down the Madawaska River

With the coming of the railroad Madawaska boomed as the village was chosen for a divisional point and it became a railroad town.

When the Ottawa-Arnprior Parry Sound Railroad ceased to operate right through to Parry Sound in later years the old Round house for the steam engines was stripped down but an interesting sight today is the skeleton of concrete walls which can be seen still standing to the north, as the traveller crosses the Highway bridge over the river

Carson Lake and Trout Lake

These lakes some 12 or 13 miles east of Madawaska and 3 or 4 miles west of Barry's Bay on Highway 60 are nestled in a lovely panorama of wooded valleys and the view from a vantage point 1238 feet above sea level at the Government lookout on the Highway at Carson Lake is one of incomparable breath-taking beauty If you pause in your travels long enough to take this in, we know you will join ranks with the hundreds of painters, camera enthusiasts and nature lovers who being attracted to the irresistible charm of this sylvan retreat, return to pay homage to it several times a year as it changes into its new seasonal finery

There are several Tourist Operators in this area whose modern comfortable accommodations are a haven to the weary traveller

The vast open spaces and rolling countryside dotted with clear sparkling spring fed lakes and streams, make for an ideal vacation. Here one may enjoy to the fullest the rich bounty of nature's gifts to this unspoiled and unexploited part of beautiful Madawaska Valley

One of the many pleasing attractions of this area could include a pleasing days outing by boat from Carson Lake into Trout Lake thence into Lepine Lake and finally into Greenan Lake While you glide over these clear still waters, you may revel in the songs of the woodland birds, the eerie cry of the loon and the antics of other wild life—undisturbed in their natural habitat Almost anywhere along the beautiful banks of these lakes one may stop for an occasional shore lunch and refreshments. There are many huge shade trees, under whose leafy arms one may rest and contemplate the beauties of nature in quiet solitude or just do a little sittin in the sun on clean sandy beaches with an occasional refreshing swim or dip

If you climb 150 or 200 feet anywhere on this trip you will be rewarded with a view of sublime grandeur

Those who like to troll for lake trout, cast a lure in a cove for pike or fish a stream for speckled trout are also apt to be well repaid for their efforts.

Wildflowers in profusion and various berries in season help to make the trip all the more interesting.

For the hiker and historically minded the area is steeped in the old traditions of the early settlers who pioneered this section of the Valley in the early 1800

The Provincial Park in this area provides the camper with excellent accommodations.

Along many flower and tree bordered trails one may still find relics of bygone days. The old Opeongo Trail may be travelled by the hiker seeking adventure and beauty

Barry's Bay

Nestled in the hills to the north of Kamaniskeg Lake and some 125 miles northwest of Ottawa, the nation's capital lies the resort centre and lumbering town of Barry's Bay Like the Capital all main roads in this area lead to this picturesque town surrounded by the lakes and forests from which its inhabitants gain their livelihood and the whir of the saw and the sight of trophies of the chase are as familiar to the residents as the noise of traffic and the smoke of industry are to the city dwellers, who flock here in the appropriate seasons, to fish or hunt — or just to take it easy and fill their lungs with the clean, bracing pine-scented breezes of the Madawaska Valley

The man who displays this Sign believes your happiness contributes to his welfare

Member Madawaska Valley Tourist Ass.

The 2,000 odd residents of Barry's Bay boast the usual shopping facilities found anywhere in a village of this size. There are three churches, two doctors and a dentist. The community is looking forward to the construction of a proposed modern thirty-bed Hospital erection of which is expected to start in the very near future. The listings of the business men of the village who support our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association are found in the advertising insert with the map of our area, included with this brochure.

It may be mentioned here that there is a L.C.B.O. and Brewers Retail Store. The Legion and Lions Club are in strong evidence as are other service and fraternal organizations.

For recreation there is a theatre dancing and a local baseball league.

Barry's Bay was founded by one John Barry late in the 19th century. The early settlers of the area and their descendants have built Barry's Bay into the prosperous and busy village that it is today. Considerable impetus was given the growth of the town by the construction of the Canada Atlantic Railway (now part of the C.N.R.) to carry the timber to the Booth Lumber mills at Hull, Quebec.

The C.N.R. now provides a fast daily except Sunday service to the Capital with a Modern Day Liner leaving early in the morning and coming back in the evening. A trip well worth the fare as part of your holidays offering a picturesque ride plus a day in the Capital and no parking or driving problem to worry about. Since the construction of this railway the lumbering industry has expanded to its present status so that Barry's Bay today is of major importance in the Canadian lumber world.

The Barry's Bay district is renowned throughout Canada and United States for its delightful summer resorts and its myriad lakes, well stocked with speckled and lake trout, bass and pickerel and for its hinterland of forest and game country. Comfortable accommodations are available for the vacationer, hunter or fisherman as are reliable guides.

Appearing in ever increasing numbers on the shores of the "Hidden Lakes" around Barry's Bay are the beautiful summer homes of people who have found the seclusion, peace and quiet they have been looking for.

Barry's Bay is also on an alternate route from the Trans-Canada Highway 17 through Algonquin Provincial Park to the west and north.

Wilno

A typically sprawling Canadian Village in the heart of the Madawaska Valley. The village proper built in a valley is almost entirely surrounded by majestic hills.

The people, mainly of Polish descent are bush workers and farmers but because of the abundance of stone and the hilly nature of the countryside the farms are not efficiently productive. However they are a treasure, a virtual paradise of beauty and knowledge for those seeking contact with the past. Log houses and barns, the rule rather than the exception. One of the few remaining places where the wooden hay rake and the scythe play an important role in hay production, as well as the grain cradle used in the harvest season. The farm-wife still spins on the old fashioned wheel and cards and weaves the product of their sheep on hand operated looms and cards.

While reverting to the old ways in farming the farmer tends to lead a dual life in that he applies only the most modern methods in the production of saw logs and pulp. Exclusively used are the modern chain saw, the giant bulldozers and skidding machines for chewing into the ever productive forest.

Truly a land of beauty abounding in small lakes and trout filled streams. A land specially favoured by God for its nearness to Nature.

As one stands on the terrace of the impressive St. Mary's Church one mile east of the village you may grasp the feeling of history written when J. R. Booth gained control of the only railroad pass giving access to the richness of the virgin timber to the north in the 1870's.

To stand on the Provincial Government maintained, "Shrine Hill Lookout" and take in the view over Round Lake and Golden Lake as well as the multitude of stately hills and forests is a sight to be carried close to the heart always. Truly an artist's paradise the year round.

Killaloe

Killaloe is situated in the north-eastern section of the Madawaska Valley and is a check point in the Ontario Government Meteorological reports and is always mentioned by name in any complete weather forecast.

The original settlement 2 miles north and called Old Killaloe was built around the water powered stone grist mill which operated as such until 1945. They use the same power today to operate a woodworking plant. One resident who came here in 1858 says her first impression was just piles and piles of logs. It was named by a pioneer after his home town in Ireland. The present town developed after the coming of the railroad.

Killaloe is well served with good highways and is a natural shopping centre for many resort areas in the vicinity including Golden Lake.

Killaloe, a prettily shaded town itself is surrounded by some beautiful wooded country dotted with numerous lakes noted for their fishing and beauty.

The business and professional men of this town with a population of 850 supply the services for the surrounding area and tourists alike. There is an active Lions Club which own and operate the local community center

HIGHWAY 521 crosses HIGHWAY 60 at Killaloe. The south branch goes to Brudenell and connects with roads to Combermere and Eganville. The north branch circles Round Lake 10 miles to Bonnechere.

One mile east of Killaloe on Highway 60 is the Government Weather Station and the Emergency air field with grass strip open in the summer only

At Bonnechere there is an active Department of Transport Air Field, with a 6600' asphalt landing strip 200' wide open the year round attendant day and night lights via radio request, contact for both fields through the Killaloe radio Gas available is 80-87-91-96-100-120 octane oil on fees no hangar no mechanic Sea plane landing 1¼ miles at the Department of Lands and Forests wharf on Round Lake. Location 45°40 N 77 36 W Elevation 595' Vic Poland mgr

From Bonnechere Highway 60 continues along Round Lake with its wonderful sandy beaches and on into the rugged hilly Indian River section to join the Trans Canada Highway 17 at Pembroke

Please Come Again

Did you come in the springtime and enjoy our trout fishing? Were you amazed at the number and variety of birds? Were you startled by the cry of the bittern—or of the loon? Did you visit us in the summertime and enjoy those cool, quiet nights? Or did you come in late September or early October and see Nature's 'Color on Parade' when Mother Nature appears in all her glory clothed in red and gold. Whenever it was we trust that you found our brochure to be unexaggerated and that you received a warm welcome. If you experienced any unpleasantries or discourtesies from any of our members while on your trip will you kindly do us the favor of reporting the circumstances to the Association either at Barry's Bay or at Bancroft.

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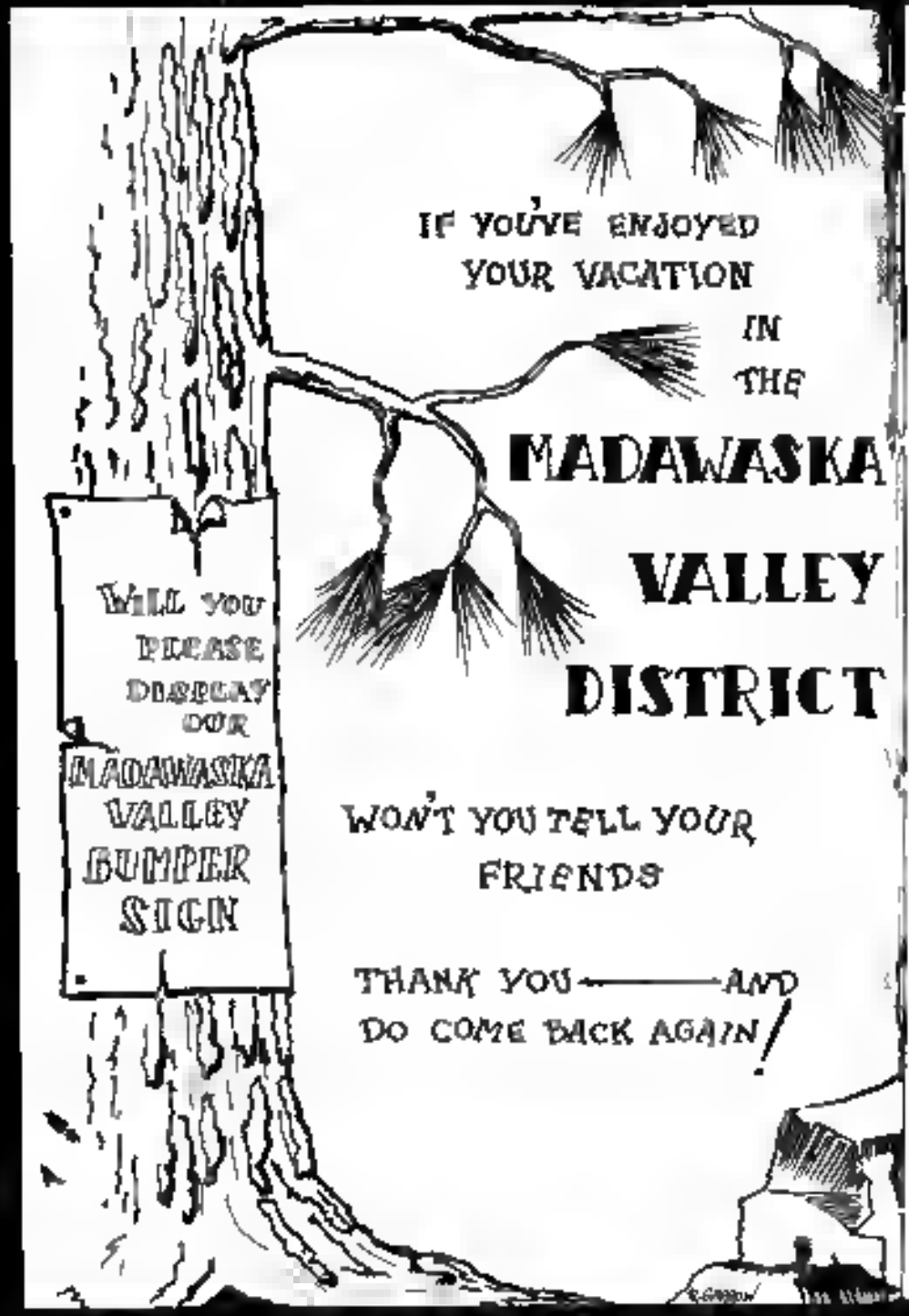
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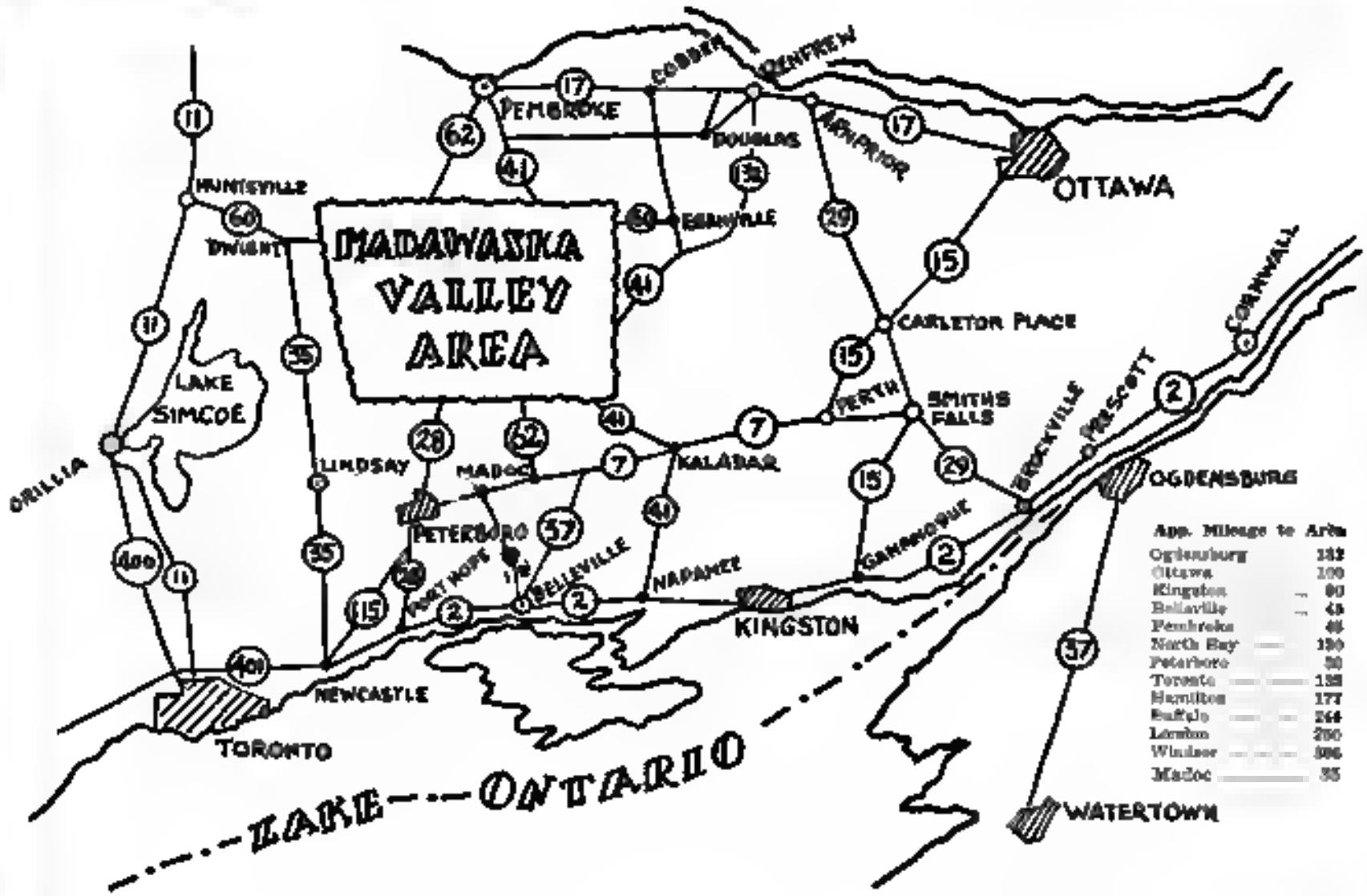
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The Madawaska Valley Tourist Association hopes that you will enjoy our area. The co-operative efforts of our members are designed to further that end.

Each of our members displays on his premises his membership placard. That we may better serve you—now and in the future—we urge you to patronize our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association Members.

The cover picture is a typical scene taken in the area.

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Temperature (Degrees Fahrenheit)

The Air Services Meteorological Division of the Canadian Department of Transport summarises the meteorological data of the area as follows

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	May	June	July	Aug	Sept.	Oct.
Mean Daily Maximum	65	75	79	77	69	57
Mean Daily Minimum	41	51	54	52	43	34
Rain (inches, monthly)	3 07	2 25	3 09	2 57	2 87	2 09
Average Hours of Bright Sunshine (est)	230	250	280	250	170	130

From the above you will note a need for warm outer clothing for evening wear This is usually true no matter how warm the day may have been No need here for air cooling machines to make sleep possible On the other hand the long hours of sunshine warm the lakes for delightful swimming

The Madawaska Valley

"Land Of Hidden Lakes"

(Eastern Ontario)

Before we launch into a description of the area let us discover whether we merit the title 'Land of Hidden Lakes'. This title, by the way, was bestowed by a popular Toronto "daily" and is not something dreamed up for purposes of promotion.

One of our members, by referring to a government topographical map, counted 83 lakes within a seven mile radius of his premises. This concentration is typical of the whole area. Many are visible from the main highways but the majority are truly hidden along back roads and offer a challenge to the adventuresome tourist who wishes to seek them out.

You might like to prove our right to this title yourself. Step off and seek out the "hidden" lakes mentioned in the descriptions of our highways.

IMPORTANT NOTE The Madawaska Valley Area is geographically a most homogeneous area. For this reason most of the descriptions to follow will read much alike. We think all parts of the area can offer you a quiet, restful vacation and that you will not be disappointed if this is what you desire.

When you visit the Madawaska Valley you become central to Ottawa, Toronto, North Bay. You can readily visit the Federal Houses of Parliament in Ottawa, The Provincial House in Toronto, the Museum in the Algonquin Park to the north and west or leisurely enjoy hundreds of miles of pleasant backroads—unpaved but generally in good condition.

For those interested, Renfrew County to the east can offer. At Arnprior an annual summer Regatta with participants coming from all parts of North America, the Ottawa River dotted with sail and motor boats, the Bonnechere Caves, one of Ontario's natural wonders—between Eganville and Douglas. At Cobden, near Pembroke you will see a monument commemorating the finding of Champlain's astrolabe, where it was uncovered by a farmer while plowing his field.

The Champlain Trail Museum at Pembroke assures an absorbing visit to anyone interested in the history of the Ottawa Valley region. Its displays are devoted to Indian culture, Champlain, the Fur trade, Lumbering, Pioneer-settlement and the modern era. Hours: Monday to Saturday 7—9 p.m. and Wednesday and Saturday 2—5 p.m.

At Deep River, where Canada's Atomic Scientists live, the Ottawa River is said to be the deepest river in the world.

You will be welcomed at any of the 'Lookout Towers' maintained by the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests at Purdy Madawaska, Omega Lake Quadville Moccasin Lake.

Please be careful that you do not abuse their hospitality by careless handling of smokes or fires

The Madawaska Valley Area lies directly south of the eastern half of Algonquin Park, and comprises approximately 2 000 square miles of scenic country in which the towns are approximately an average 1,000 feet above sea level

It takes its name from the Madawaska (Algonquin Indian name meaning 'headwaters') River which rises in the Park traverses the Madawaska Valley in a southeasterly direction, and finally drops to the Ottawa River at Arnprior

The Madawaska Valley is mountainous in nature and with its hardwood and evergreen forests and beautiful lakes has a lasting appeal to the lovers of the beauties of nature to the seeker after solitude, to botanists ornithologists ichthyologists and to those who merely desire to soak up the sun—sleep under a blanket—fish—swim—go boating —and enjoy good food in pleasant surroundings.

Places Along Highway 28 enroute to Bancroft

Paudash Lake

At the south western entrance to our area on Highway 28 is Pandash Lake a lovely body of water common to the Madawaska Valley and to the Haliburton Highlands. Paudash Lake has been described as "one of the prettiest lakes in the Madawaska Valley It is nine miles long but has over 100 miles of shoreline dne to the many inlets and bays and the many islands with which the lake is dotted. It is divided into three sections like a cloverleaf namely Joe's Bay Inlet Bay and North Bay In the background are beautiful hills and forest lands

Running along the eastern shore of Paudash Lake is the old Monk Road. This road has great historical significance as it was the road built by General Monk in the days of Champlain going right through to Lake Simcoe where Champlain's monument stands today at Orillia

HAY FEVER SUFFERERS! Here is good news The Madawaska Valley Vacation Area has a pollen count of only 1 6 among the lowest in Canada Our Valley now has residents who at one time were chronic hay fever sufferers and settled here for permanent relief

IF IT'S MINERALS This is a Rock Hounds paradise Many of these specimens are used for gem cutting A few of the minerals found are listed below Angite apatite arrazonite beryl betasite biottie calcite cancrinite corundum dropside feldspar hackmanite hornblende molybdenite magnetite moonstone nepheline, quartz, tourmaline uraninite

Places Along Highway 62 enroute to Bancroft and North to Barry's Bay at Junction of Highway 60

Detlor

Some 40 miles north of Madoc is a turnoff to the right to Detlor Concerning this side-road it has been written "The drive from Highway 62 down through Detlor is one of the most beautiful in the district The hills in the distance take on a purple hue and the autumn colors are beyond compare Here too are plenty of nature walks and charming locales for picnics

L'Amable Lakes and Bay Lake

In the next two or three miles—and to the left—are the "hidden" and charming L Amable Lakes and Bay Lake. L Amable Lake is five miles south of Bancroft on Highway 62 This is one of the oldest settled parts of the district having at one time been part of the old Hastings stage coach road between Maynooth and Belleville

There are three lovely lakes bordering on the highway besides many off of the travelled road

L Amable Lake the largest of the group is dotted with little islands well stocked with trout and bass Styrners and Talt Lakes are stocked and enjoyed by people who like a cottage not too far from the main highway

Bay Lake derives its name from the number of bays which cut into its entire shore line The water is sparkling clear and an ideal home for the grey trout and bass which inhabit it Bay lake is 4 miles south of Bancroft

BANCROFT—The Town That Has Everything

Summer Resorts Lumbering Centre Uranium Mines, any of these terms can correctly describe Bancroft. Ideally situated in the hills of Hastings County and the heart of the Madawaska Valley on the junction of three Provincial Highways this thriving community can possibly offer more attractions than any other in Ontario of comparable size Whether it is the unspoiled beauty of its lakes and streams (over 160 within a ten mile radius) or the booming prosperity of the four producing mines or the friendliness of its people or the romance of its lumbering industries this fortunate town has something for everyone.

Back in 1850 when the first hardy settlers set about making a home and living in the virgin country there was little idea of the progress which the town would make. Possibly that famous Canadian Senator 'Billy' Flint had some idea because he was instrumental in bringing in the lumbermen merchants craftsmen and more settlers to the area. The community honored the good Senator by changing its name on October 15 1879 from York River to that of Bancroft the maiden name of Mrs Flint If the Senator and his wife could see Bancroft now they would be amazed and proud of its progress

Yet Bancroft can offer relaxation to the visitor too. While keeping pace with its prosperity it can still offer that quiet vacation for those who require and want it The high elevation and wonderful climate has attracted many summer and winter visitors in ever increasing numbers Here visitors can enjoy all sports having a nine hole golf course a large outdoor swimming pool two theatres dancing boating and hiking and just plain resting available for all The area is sprinkled with many magnificent fishing lakes and streams with first class accommodation located on most of them In town there are two modern motels and a hotel many fine stores three banks garages and service stations large Legion and Community halls, as well as a well equipped and modern Hospital and telephone exchange Bancroft is the headquarters for the Department of Highways Department of Lands and Forests also an L C B O store and Brewer's Warehouse Waterworks and Sewers are being installed and new Industry is coming in to the area Public and High Schools where there are over 1200 pupils attending An active Lions Club a strong Legion other Service and Fraternal Organizations

The spiritual needs of the community are amply taken care of by churches of various denominations

Highway 500

This highway when travelled eastward from Bancroft provides access to some beautiful backwoods country and productive lakes. Some names to conjure with are Boulter and nearby Fraser Lake Hardwood Lake and Weslemkoon Lake—the latter reached at its northern end from McArthur's Mills (the approach to the southern end of Lake Weslemkoon is from Highway 62 north of Bannockburn between Madoc and Bancroft)

McArthur's Mills in the south central line of the Madawaska Valley is surrounded by beautiful streams and located near Wannamaker Lake about 23 miles east of Bancroft

You will get help where you see this sign

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Here one may enjoy swimming, boating, hiking along forest trails, or just a plain restful quiet holiday.

Best of all this is a fisherman's Paradise for small-mouth black bass, lake and speckled trout, pickerel and pike. For hunting there are deer, partridge and ducks in the area.

This description applies equally to the other locales mentioned.

If your home base is on or near highway 500, try circling around the area using highway 62 between Bancroft and Barry's Bay as one arc of your circle. If you have an eye for beauty you should enjoy these drives immensely. Be sure you have your camera with you.

Lake Baptiste

The Lake Baptiste resort area is reached through turn-offs to the left of Highway 62 some four and seven miles north of Bancroft. Since the first turn-off serves the south shore of Lake Baptiste whilst the northern shore is served by the latter, care should be taken to be certain that the desired route is chosen else an unnecessarily long detour will result.

Lake Baptiste itself is enthusiastically described as follows:

In the middle 1800's John Baptiste Dafoe an Algonquin Indian of the Lake of Two Mountains decided to come north and west in search of a good hunting and trapping district. Today, twenty-five mile long Baptiste Lake, a widening of the York River, bears his name and some of his descendents still live on its shores. The village of Baptiste clings to its water edge at the foot of a steep hill and roads lead from it to Highway 62 then east and north to Barry's Bay and Ottawa or west and south to booming Bancroft and Toronto.

Baptiste Lake offers twenty-five miles of navigable waters and its widest reach is three miles. It is fed by rivers and streams flowing in from the limitless miles of virgin country north reaching into Algonquin Park. The I.B. & O. Railroad (Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa) now taken over by the C.N.R. was built along the south shore over seventy-five years ago and has a grade leading away from the lake which is one of the steepest this side of the Rocky Mountains.

You will enjoy your vacation at any one of the Baptiste Lake Resorts. Here you will find sandy beaches for the children, trout, bass, pickerel and muskie fishing for the fishermen, some of the grandest scenery for the nature lover and artist, bushlands for the hunter, lovely rock formations for the stone collector, water sports for the venturesome and quiet peaceful surroundings for the lounger.

Decide now to spend your vacation in this area which captivated the great Canadian artist, David Milne, and where he painted many of his best pictures.

Maynooth

From Bancroft (1072 ft) the highway rises (and falls) to Maynooth (1285 ft) Here Highway 62 bears away to the northeast to meet Highway 60 at Barry s Bay and Highway 127 proceeds somewhat west of north until it meets Highway 60 about 28 miles to the west of Barry's Bay Both routes are scenic and one's choice must be left to the circumstances pertaining to one s plans. If sojourning in the area the triangle comprised of Highway 127 and the parts of Highways 60 and 62 make up a pleasant afternoon's drive and photogenic subjects and pleasant picnicking spots abound.

Maynooth itself is a pleasant little village high on the brow of a hill. Here are four churches four well equipped garages and a hotel Additionally three general stores a hardware store and two restaurants guarantee that the visitor will have his needs well looked after Some of the local "small fry" are branching out into the live bait business and solicit your support If you are not sport minded and want a holiday free from work and worry try one of our lovely lodges and enjoy our high altitude of 1500 ft and the restful bliss of our surrounding hills."

"Our claim to fame is excellent fishing hunting and old time dancing We invite the naturalists to see our authentic Indian Pot Holes.

"Should you care to live with us and be a member of our happy family the year round—we welcome you and invite you to share with us our modern five room school bus transportation to high school our excellent service club (Lions) and our Community Centre. We have good daily bus connections with any part of the province for your convenience

Highway 127, from Maynooth

HIGHWAY 127 is the short route from **HIGHWAY 62** at Maynooth to Whitney and the Algonquin Park and enroute it opens up the important Lake St Peter Resort Area

Lake St. Peter

Like all the Madawaska Valley countryside there is charm and beauty in every vista Of Lake St Peter it can be said that it is a clear sparkling lake set in a ring of high hills. Ringed with cottages and resorts it offers a variety of diversions besides the sandy beaches which attract the youngsters and the new Lake St Peter Provincial Park For the sportsman there is trout fishing and for the nature lover old lumber trails provide access to the deep forest where one may inspect a beaver pond or indulge in bird-watch

ing An excursion to nearby Algonquin Park enables the children (big or small) to feed the deer or one may explore the nature trails or visit the museum In the course of the trip one will cross the railway which carried the first wheat from the Canadian northwest to Montreal (the old Canada Atlantic Railway) now a part of the Canadian National Railways. The stage coach road which gave the first overland connection between Belleville and Ottawa by way of Pembroke passes the head of Lake St. Peter

Papineau Lake

Papineau Lake a hidden lake is one half mile from and just north of Highway 62 between Maynooth and Purdy

It is a beautiful Lake, 4 miles long with wonderful sandy beaches and high rocky bluffs.

It is accessible from Highway 62 on the west along Papineau Creek from the south off Highway 62 and on the East thru Purdy and Bells Rapids.

They have lake trout small mouth bass and pike with speckled trout and pike in near by smaller lakes It is only a short distance across the portage to Bark Lake.

There are several housekeeping cottages camps and a dance hall with many private cottages.

Purdy

Purdy is located on **HIGHWAY 62**, along the scenic lake of the same name "The Lake with the Island in the middle" formerly called Loon Lake.

It is primarily a speckled trout area with 9 near by productive trout lakes, Echo being the largest and best known still produces some nice ones

There is a service station store fire tower lookout close by, a diner, sleeping cabins and several housekeeping cottage camps

It was the birth place of the late John Dafoe who for many years was editor of the Winnipeg Free Press

Combermere

Combermere, a scattered community of about 250 population, lies where **HIGHWAY** 62 crosses approximately the middle of a 38 mile stretch of navigable waterway on the Madawaska River. 925 foot elevation and free from hay fever

It has served the lumber industry in by gone days under the name of Dennison's Bridge when the square timber rafts were floated down from Algonquin Park to their destination in Ottawa Quebec and across the seas to England There are still signs of the old log drivers Chute where the timber was floated around the rapids on Byers Creek

For that time it was a busy settlement with a tannery woollen mill, grist mill, cheese factory blacksmith and shoe shop and two hotels which served the river drivers.

Craigmount Corundum Mine employed 1100 men and the main contact with Barry's Bay was by the 'Geneva' ore boat now called 'the Old Scow' up the Marsh and the wood burning steam rear paddle wheeler 'The Mayflower' which subsequently sank in Kamaniskeg Lake with the loss of 8 lives and strangely enough the only 3 men saved floated to the island on a casket being carried on the boat

The area was discovered many years ago by our Ohio and Pennsylvania fishermen who then came to Bancroft by train and the last 35 miles by horse and wagon Later they had a two day trip by automobile along old single track dirt roads. Now they whiz up from Ohio in 11 to 15 hours on good highways

We still serve many tourists with accommodation in American type lodges housekeeping camps modern motels private cottages camping hunting fishing and hiking We have over 100 lakes within a 10 mile radius which have bass pike walleyes lake and speckled trout with some plantings of splake and Kamloops trout.

Combermere offers the Tourist the general services supplied by a community of its size and the resort operators and business men having these services listed on the insert are supporting our organization and solicit your patronage

Up river there is the big lake Kamaniskeg with its high wooded shores and sandy beaches Blackfish and Barry's Bay Two miles below Combermere the York River flows into the Madawaska and forms the famous Conroys Marsh with its 30 square miles of area. The York and Misdsippi Creek, out of Weslemekoon Lake give 24 miles of navigable

The man with this sign Member Madawaska Valley Tourist Ass. **is progressive**

Channel and many miles of fishable back water A very satisfactory place for large mouth bass weed fishing pike walleyes, and ducks but the hunting area is limited as the central part is closed for a refuge.

Our guests tell us our area is as nice as they have ever seen We have many circuitous routes to go fishing explore some of our points of interest, climb a lookout have a picnic drive go rock hounding take pictures of scenery or birds, have a partridge hunt or for just pure enjoyment of nature and quiet away from the whiz of highway traffic city noises hustle and bustle

We invite you to come early in the season to explore our area, come in the summer to enjoy your holidays and come in the fall when the trees are beautiful so you may relax before the long winter

Highway 517

From Combermere Highway 517 follows the west side of the Madawaska and York Rivers to The Carlow road and leads to Boulter Fort Stewart and Herman

Highway 515

On the East side of the river Highway 515 goes to Palmer Rapids and Quadeville and leads to the road through Schutt and Hardwood Lake which connects with the S.E section of Madawaska Valley Area located in and around Denbigh and Griffith on Highway 41.

Halfway

Halfway is halfway between Combermere and Barry s Bay on the old road before the new 62 Highway was built which follows the much shorter route along the main waterway to Barry s Bay

The old Halfway Road is 16 miles long narrow but picturesque giving access to 16 fishing lakes in the immediate vicinity Long Dam and Wadsworth Lakes being the most prominent. Large Mouth Bass predominate although there are lake trout small mouth bass and pike

There are lodging and housekeeping accommodations and also a youth camp

Combermere to Barry's Bay

As you leave Combermere on **HIGHWAY 62** toward Barry s Bay you cross the Plains formerly solid big red pine Later a turpentine factory cleaned up the stumps and the plains are now growing up in a new reforested plantation

Some of our guests, as they travel over **HIGHWAY 62** call it Sunset Drive as the sun sinks over Blackfish Bay Bedard Pond below Weasel Hill lookout and the waters of Barry s Bay as you approach the town of that name

Along the highway there are directions to several American plan lodges motels gift shop and trails to several hidden lakes one not over 100 yds. from the highway but still hidden.

Places Along Highway 60 enroute from Whitney to Killaloe

Driving east on Highway 60 through the Algonquin Provincial Park the traveller enters the North Western side of the Madawaska Valley at the village of Whitney This picturesque little community is spread along the banks of the Madawaska River where it leaves Galeairy Lake or what is now commonly called Long Lake.

Historically Whitney came into being when the Ottawa-Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway built by the famous Canadian Lumber King J R. Booth, and a group of Ottawa business men reached west into the Park in 1895 With the coming of the railroad Sir James Whitney then premier of Ontario and owner of the St Anthony Lumber Co sent his brother E C Whitney to build and operate a saw mill on the Madawaska River at Whitney

The present townsite was named after Mr. E C Whitney and the house which was his home still stands

The first lumber of the new saw mill was used to build many of the homes and other establishments which are still there today

Whitney is adequately equipped to look after the vacationer with suppliers of comfortable accommodation provisions motoring services etc., having their listings on the insert map inclosed with this brochure

L'Amable Creek

Some five miles East of Whitney Highway 60 crosses L Amable Creek Many a trout fisherman has wet his line here and to the

searcher of nature s beauty spots a fleeting glimpse of a hidden water fall may be seen to the right, just after crossing L Amable Creek from the West

The Village of Madawaska

Ten miles East of Whitney lies the village of Madawaska Here Highway 60 again crosses the Madawaska River at the head of Bark Lake

The village of Madawaska was established before the coming of the railroad, which arrived in 1894 from Ottawa Before the railroad Madawaska was a stop-over just off the old Opeongo trail for the sleigh trains of supplies moving north towards the timber limits in the Park Of course it was also a stopover place for the old time "log drivers", bringing the logs down the Madawaska River

With the coming of the railroad Madawaska boomed as the village was chosen for a divisional point and it became a railroad town

When the Ottawa-Arnprior Parry Sound Railroad ceased to operate right through to Parry Sound in later years, the old Round house for the steam engines was stripped down but an interesting sight today is the skeleton of concrete walls which can be seen still standing to the north, as the traveller crosses the Highway bridge over the river

Carson Lake and Trout Lake

These lakes, some 12 or 13 miles east of Madawaska and 3 or 4 miles west of Barry s Bay on Highway 60 are nestled in a lovely panorama of wooded valleys and the view from a vantage point 1235 feet above sea level at the Government lookout on the Highway at Carson Lake is one of incomparable breath taking beauty If you pause in your travels long enough to take this in we know you will join ranks with the hundreds of painters, camera enthusiasts and nature lovers who being attracted to the irresistible charm of this sylvan retreat, return to pay homage to it several times a year as it changes into its new seasonal finery

There are several Tourist Operators in this area whose modern comfortable accommodations are a haven to the weary traveller

The vast open spaces and rolling countryside dotted with clear sparkling spring fed lakes and streams, make for an ideal vacation Here one may enjoy to the fullest, the rich bounty of nature's gifts to this unspoiled and unexploited part of beautiful Madawaska Valley

One of the many pleasing attractions of this area could include a pleasing days outing by boat from Carson Lake into Trout Lake thence into Lepine Lake and finally into Greenan Lake While you glide over these clear still waters, you may revel in the songs of the woodland birds, the eerie cry of the loon and the antics of other wild life—undisturbed in their natural habitat Almost anywhere along the beautiful banks of these lakes one may stop for an occasional shore lunch and refreshments. There are many huge shade trees, under whose leafy arms one may rest and contemplate the beauties of nature in quiet solitude or just do a little sittin in the sun on clean sandy beaches with an occasional refreshing swim or dip

If you climb 100 or 200 feet anywhere on this trip you will be rewarded with a view of sublime grandeur

Those who like to troll for lake trout, cast a lure in a cove for bass or fish a stream for speckled trout are also apt to be well repaid for their efforts

Wildflowers in profusion and various berries in season help to make the trip all the more interesting.

For the hiker and historically minded the area is steeped in the old traditions of the early settlers who pioneered this section of the Valley in the early 1900

The Provincial Park in this area provides the camper with excellent accommodations.

Along many flower and tree bordered trails one may still find relics of bygone days. The old Opeongo Trail may be travelled by the hiker seeking adventure and beauty

Barry's Bay

Nestled in the hills to the north of Kaminiskeg Lake and some 125 miles northwest of Ottawa, the nation's capital, lies the resort centre and lumbering town of Barry's Bay Like the Capital all main roads in this area lead to this picturesque town surrounded by the lakes and forests from which its inhabitants gain their livelihood and the whir of the saw and the sight of trophies of the chase are as familiar to the residents as the noise of traffic and the smoke of industry are to the city dwellers who flock here, in the appropriate seasons, to fish or hunt — or just to take it easy and fill their lungs with the clean, bracing pine-scented breezes of the Madawaska Valley

The man who displays this Sign believes your happiness contributes to his welfare

Member Madawaska Valley Tourist Ass.

The 2 000 odd residents of Barry s Bay boast the usual shopping facilities found anywhere in a village of this size. There are three churches two doctors, and a dentist The community is looking forward to the construction of a proposed modern thirty-bed Hospital erection of which is expected to start in the very near future The listings of the business men of the village who support our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association are found in the advertising insert with the map of our area, included with this brochure.

It may be mentioned here that there is a L.C.B.O and Brewers Retail Store The Legion and Lions Club are in strong evidence as are other service and fraternal organizations.

For recreation there is a theatre dancing and a local baseball league

Barry s Bay was founded by one John Barry late in the 19th century The early settlers of the area and their descendents have built Barry s Bay into the prosperous and busy village that it is today Considerable impetus was given the growth of the town by the construction of the Canada Atlantic Railway (now part of the C N R) to carry the timber to the Booth Lumber mills at Hull, Quebec.

The C.N.R. now provides a fast daily except Sunday service to the Capital with a Modern Day Liner leaving early in the morning and coming back in the evening A trip well worth the fare as part of your holidays offering a picturesque ride plus a day in the Capital and no parking or driving problem to worry about Since the construction of this railway the lumbering industry has expanded to its present status so that Barry's Bay today is of major importance in the Canadian lumber world.

The Barry's Bay district is renowned throughout Canada and United States for its delightful summer resorts and its myriad lakes well stocked with speckled and lake trout, bass and pickerel and for its hinterland of forest and game country Comfortable accommodations are available for the vacationer hunter or fisherman, as are reliable guides

Appearing in ever increasing numbers on the shores of the "Hidden Lakes" around Barry s Bay are the beautiful summer homes of people who have found the seclusion peace and quiet, they have been looking for

Barry s Bay is also on an alternate route from the Trans-Canada Highway 17, through Algonquin Provincial Park to the west and north.

Wilno

A typically sprawling Canadian Village in the heart of the Madawaska Valley. The village proper built in a valley is almost entirely surrounded by majestic hills

The people, mainly of Polish descent, are bush workers and farmers but because of the abundance of stone and the hilly nature of the countryside the farms are not efficiently productive However they are a treasure, a virtual paradise of beauty and knowledge for those seeking contact with the past. Log houses and barns the rule rather than the exception One of the few remaining places where the wooden hay rake and the scythe play an important role in hay production, as well as the grain cradle used in the harvest season. The farm wife still spins on the old fashioned wheel and cards and weaves the product of their sheep on hand operated looms and cards

While reverting to the old ways in farming, the farmer tends to lead a dual life in that he applies only the most modern methods in the production of saw logs and pulp Exclusively used are the modern chain saw the giant bulldozers and skidding machines for chewing into the ever productive forest.

Truly a land of beauty abounding in small lakes and trout filled streams. A land specially favoured by God for its nearness to Nature

As one stands on the terraces of the impressive St Mary's Church one mile east of the village you may grasp the feeling of history written when J R. Booth gained control of the only railroad pass giving access to the richness of the virgin timber to the north in the 1870's.

To stand on the Provincial Government maintained "Shrine Hill Lookout" and take in the view over Round Lake and Golden Lake as well as the multitude of stately hills and forests is a sight to be carried close to the heart always Truly an artist's paradise the year round.

Killaloe

Killaloe is situated in the north-eastern section of the Madawaska Valley and is a check point in the Ontario Government Meteorological reports and is always mentioned by name in any complete weather forecast.

The original settlement 2 miles north and called Old Killaloe, was built around the water powered stone grist mill which operated as such until 1945 They use the same power today to operate a wood working plant One resident who came here in 1895 says her first impression was just piles and piles of logs. It was named by a pioneer after his home town in Ireland The present town developed after the coming of the railroad

Killaloe is well served with good Highways and is a natural shopping centre for many resort areas in the vicinity including Golden Lake

Killaloe a prettily shaded town itself is surrounded by some beautiful wooded country dotted with numerous lakes noted for their fishing and beauty

The business and professional men of this town with a population of 650 supply the services for the surrounding area and tourists alike There is an active Lions Club which own and operate the local community center

HIGHWAY 521 crosses **HIGHWAY 60** at Killaloe The south branch goes to Brudenell and connects with roads to Combermere and Eganville The north branch circles Round Lake 10 miles to Bonnechere

One mile east of Killaloe on Highway 60 is the Government Weather Station and the Emergency air field with grass strip open in the summer only

At Bonnechere there is an active Department of Transport Air Field, with a 6600' asphalt landing strip 200' wide, open the year round, attendant day and night lights via radio request, contact for both fields through the Killaloe radio Gas available is 80-87 91 98-100-130 octane oil no fees, no hangar no mechanic Sea plans landing 1¼ miles at the Department of Lands and Forests wharf on Round Lake Location 45°40 N 77°36 W Elevation 585' Vic Poland mgr.

From Bonnechere Highway 62 continues along Round Lake with its wonderful sandy beaches and on into the rugged hilly Indian River section to join the Trans Canada Highway 17 at Pembroke

Please Come Again

Did you come in the springtime and enjoy our trout fishing? Were you amazed at the number and variety of birds? Were you startled by the cry of the bittern—or of the loon? Did you visit us in the summertime and enjoy those cool, quiet nights? ... Or did you come in late September or early October and see Nature's "Color on Parade" when Mother Nature appears in all her glory clothed in red and gold. Whenever it was we trust that you found our brochure to be unexaggerated and that you received a warm welcome If you experienced any unpleasantries or discourtesies from any of our members while on your trip will you kindly do us the favor of reporting the circumstances to the Association either at Barry's Bay or at Bancroft.

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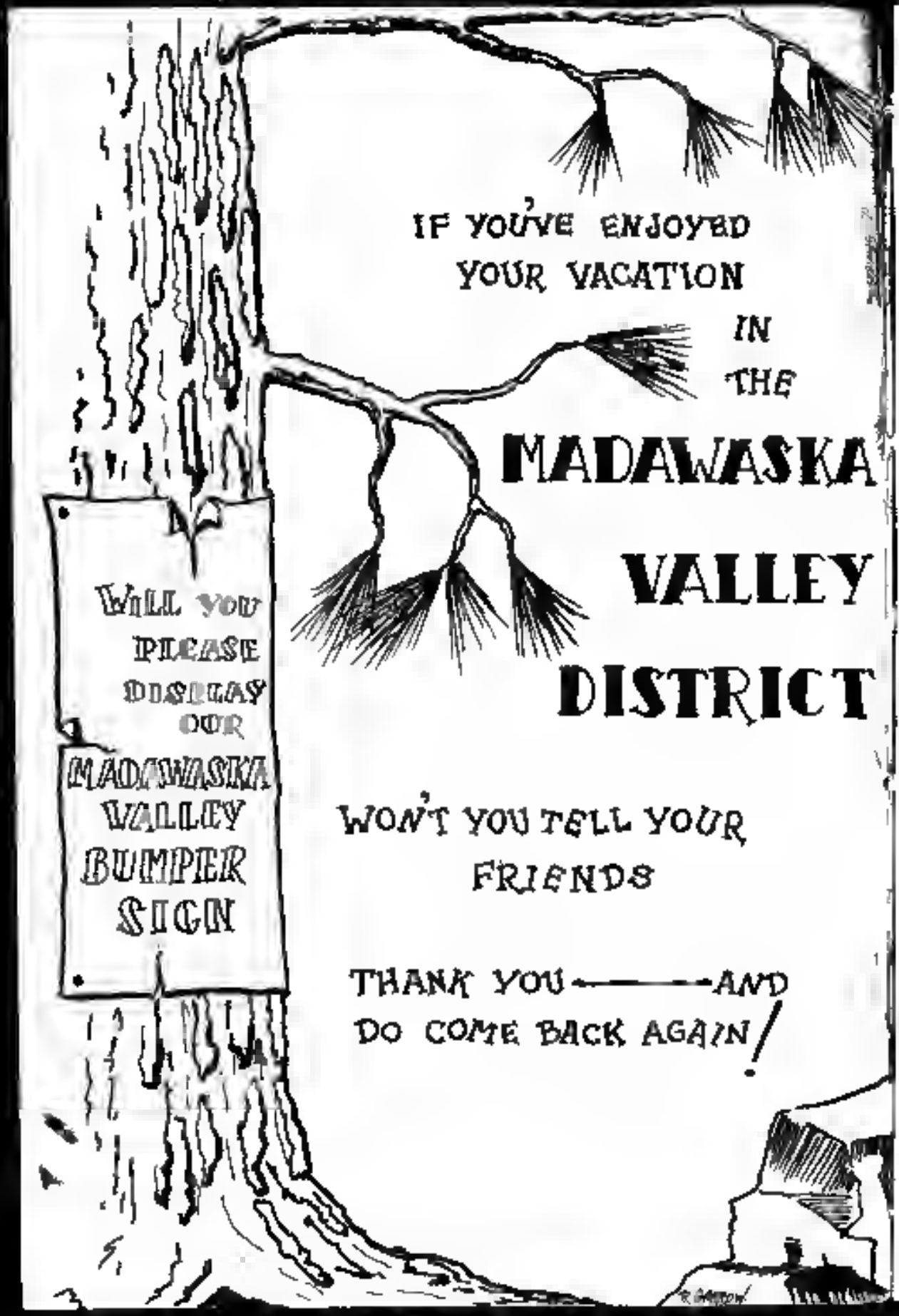
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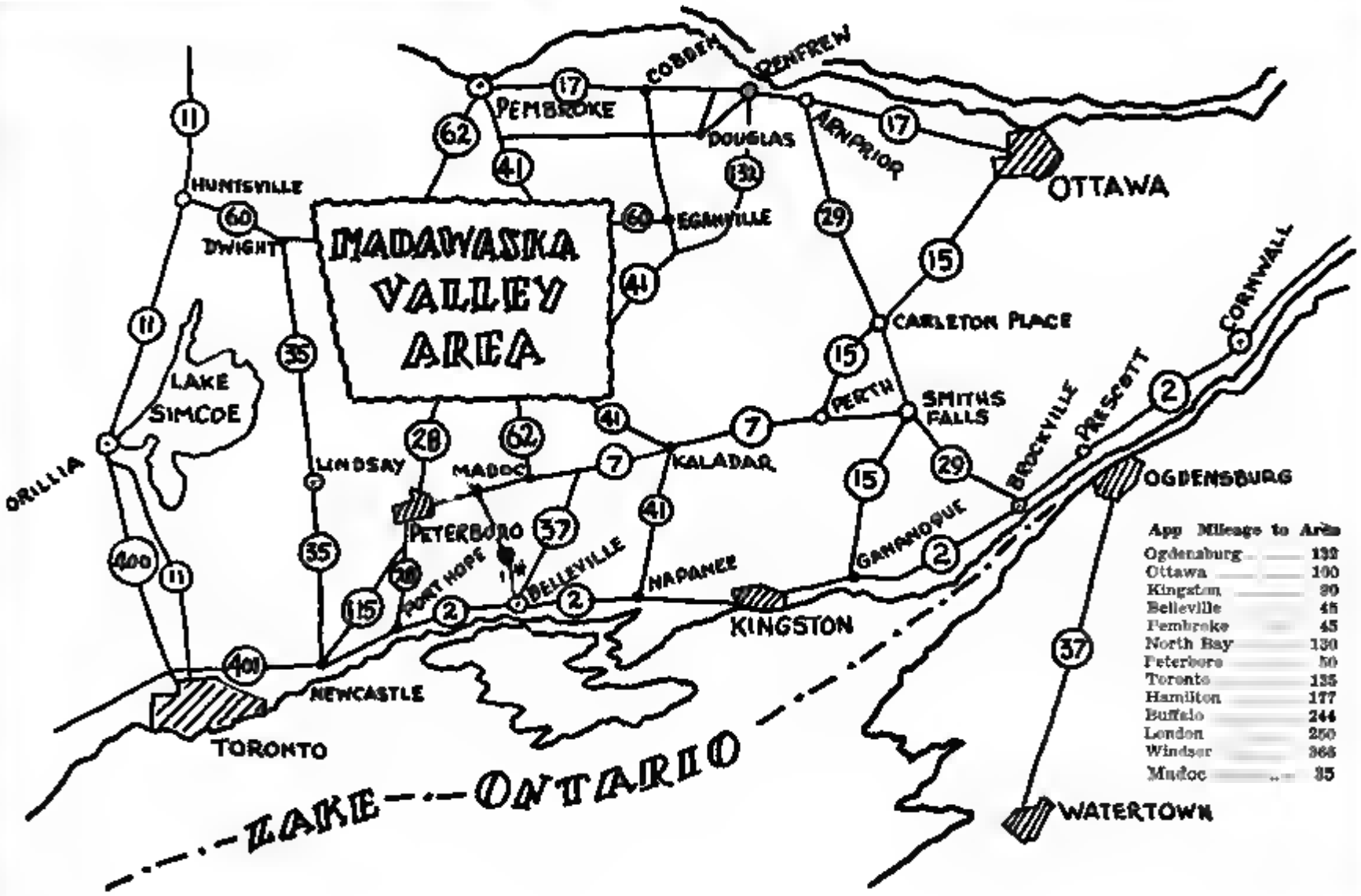
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The Madawaska Valley Tourist Association hopes that you will enjoy our area The co-operative efforts of our members are designed to further that end

Each of our members displays on his premises his membership placard That we may better serve you—now and in the future—we urge you to patronize our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association Members

The cover picture is a typical scene taken in the area

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Temperature (Degrees Fahrenheit)

The Air Services Meteorological Division of the Canadian Department of Transport summarizes the meteorological data of the area as follows

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	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct
Mean Daily Maximum	65	75	79	77	68	57
Mean Daily Minimum	41	51	54	52	43	34
Rain (inches, monthly)	3 07	2 25	3 09	2 57	2 87	2 09
Average Hours of Bright Sunshine (est.)	230	250	280	250	175	130

From the above you will note a need for warm outer clothing for evening wear. This is usually true no matter how warm the day may have been. No need here for air cooling machines to make sleep possible. On the other hand the long hours of sunshine warm the lakes for delightful swimming.

The Madawaska Valley

"Land Of Hidden Lakes"

(Eastern Ontario)

Before we launch into a description of the area let us discover whether we merit the title "Land of Hidden Lakes" This title, by the way, was bestowed by a popular Toronto "daily" and is not something dreamed up for purposes of promotion

One of our members, by referring to a government topographical map, counted 83 lakes within a seven mile radius of his premises This concentration is typical of the whole area. Many are visible from the main highways but the majority are truly hidden along back roads and offer a challenge to the adventuresome tourist who wishes to seek them out.

You might like to prove our right to this title yourself Stop off and seek out the 'hidden" lakes mentioned in the descriptions of our highways

IMPORTANT NOTE The Madawaska Valley Area is, geographically, a most homogeneous area. For this reason most of the descriptions to follow will read much alike. We think all parts of the area can offer you a quiet, restful vacation and that you will not be disappointed if this is what you desire

When you visit the Madawaska Valley you become central to Ottawa, Toronto, North Bay. You can readily visit the Federal Houses of Parliament in Ottawa, The Provincial House in Toronto, the Museum in the Algonquin Park to the north and west or leisurely enjoy hundreds of miles of pleasant backroads—unpaved but generally in good condition

For those interested, Renfrew County to the east can offer. At Arnprior an annual summer Regatta with participants coming from all parts of North America, the Ottawa River dotted with sail and motor boats, the Bonnechere Caves one of Ontario's natural wonders—between Eganville and Douglas. At Cobden, near Pembroke you will see a monument commemorating the finding of Champlain's astrolade, where it was uncovered by a farmer while plowing his field

The Champlain Trail Museum at Pembroke assures an absorbing visit to anyone interested in the history of the Ottawa Valley region. Its displays are devoted to Indian culture, Champlain, the Fur-trade, Lumbering, Pioneer-settlement and the modern era Hours Monday to Saturday 7—9 p m and Wednesday and Saturday 2—5 p.m.

At Deep River, where Canada's Atomic Scientists live, the Ottawa River is said to be the deepest river in the world

You will be welcomed at any of the "Lookout Towers" maintained by the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests at Purdy, Madawaska, Omega Lake, Quadville, Moccasin Lake

Please be careful that you do not abuse their hospitality by careless handling of smokes or fires

The Madawaska Valley Area lies directly south of the eastern half of Algonquin Park, and comprises approximately 2,000 square miles of scenic country in which the towns are approximately an average 1,000 feet above sea level

It takes its name from the Madawaska (Algonquin Indian name meaning "headwaters) River which rises in the Park, traverses the Madawaska Valley in a southeasterly direction, and finally drops to the Ottawa River at Arnprior

The Madawaska Valley is mountainous in nature and with its hardwood and evergreen forests and beautiful lakes has a lasting appeal to the lovers of the beauties of nature, to the seeker after solitude, to botanists, ornithologists, ichthyologists and to those who merely desire to soak up the sun—sleep under a blanket—fish—swim—go boating —and enjoy good food in pleasant surroundings

Places Along Highway 28 enroute to Bancroft

Paudash Lake

At the south western entrance to our area on Highway 28 is Paudash Lake, a lovely body of water common to the Madawaska Valley and to the Haliburton Highlands Paudash Lake has been described as "one of the prettiest lakes in the Madawaska Valley" It is nine miles long but has over 100 miles of shoreline due to the many inlets and bays and the many islands with which the lake is dotted. It is divided into three sections like a cloverleaf namely Joe's Bay, Inlet Bay and North Bay. In the background are beautiful hills and forest lands

Running along the eastern shore of Paudash Lake is the old Monk Road This road has great historical significance as it was the road built by General Monk in the days of Champlain, going right through to Lake Simcoe where Champlain's monument stands today at Otillia

HAY FEVER SUFFERERS! Here is good news The Madawaska Valley Vacation Area has a pollen count of only 1 6, among the lowest in Canada Our Valley now has residents, who at one time were chronic hay fever sufferers and settled here for permanent relief

IF IT'S MINERALS This is a Rock Hounds paradise Many of these specimens are used for gem cutting A few of the minerals found are listed below Augite, apatite, amazonite, beryl, betasite, biotite, calcite cancrinite corundum, dropside, feldspar, hackmanite, hornblende, molybdenite, magnetite, moonstone, nepheline, quartz, tourmaline, uraninite

Places Along Highway 62 enroute to Bancroft and North to Barry's Bay at Junction of Highway 60

Detlor

Some 40 miles north of Madoc is a turnoff, to the right, to Detlor Concerning this side-road it has been written "The drive from Highway 62, down through Detlor is one of the most beautiful in the district The hills, in the distance, take on a purple hue and the autumn colors are beyond compare Here too are plenty of 'nature' walks and charming locales for picnics".

L'Amable Lakes and Bay Lake

In the next two or three miles—and to the left—are the "hidden" and charming L'Amable Lakes and Bay Lake L'Amable Lake is five miles south of Bancroft on Highway 62 This is one of the oldest settled parts of the district having at one time been part of the old Hastings stage coach road between Maynooth and Belleville

There are three lovely lakes bordering on the highway besides many off of the travelled road

L'Amable Lake, the largest of the group is dotted with little islands, well stocked with trout and bass Stymers and Tait Lakes are stocked and enjoyed by people who like a cottage not too far from the main highway

Bay Lake derives its name from the number of bays which cut into its entire shore line The water is sparkling clear and an ideal home for the grey trout and bass which inhabit it Bay lake is 4 miles south of Bancroft

BANCROFT—The Town That Has Everything

Summer Resorts, Lumbering Centre, Uranium Mines, any of these terms can correctly describe Bancroft Ideally situated in the hills of Hastings County and the heart of the Madawaska Valley, on the junction of three Provincial Highways this thriving community can possibly offer more attractions, than any other in Ontario of comparable size Whether it is the unspoiled beauty of its lakes and streams (over 100 within a ten mile radius) or the booming prosperity of the four producing mines or the friendliness of its people, or the romance of its lumbering industries this fortunate town has something for everyone

Back in 1850 when the first hardy settlers set about making a home and living in the virgin country, there was little idea of the progress which the town would make Possibly that famous Canadian, Senator "Billy" Flint, had some idea because he was instrumental in bringing in the lumbermen, merchants, craftsmen, and more settlers to the area The community honored the good Senator by changing its name on October 15, 1879, from York River to that of Bancroft, the maiden name of Mrs Flint If the Senator and his wife could see Bancroft now, they would be amazed and proud of its progress

Yet Bancroft can offer relaxation to the visitor too While keeping pace with its prosperity it can still offer that quiet vacation for those who require and want it The high elevation and wonderful climate has attracted many summer, and winter visitors, in ever increasing numbers. Here visitors can enjoy all sports, having a nine hole golf course, a large outdoor swimming pool, two theatres, dancing, boating and hiking, and just plain resting available for all The area is sprinkled with many magnificent fishing lakes and streams, with first class accommodation located on most of them In town there are two modern motels, and a hotel, many fine stores, three banks, garages and service stations, large Legion and Community halls, as well as a well equipped and modern Hospital, and telephone exchange. Bancroft is the headquarters for the Department of Highways, Department of Lands and Forests, also an L C B O store, and Brewer's Warehouse Waterworks and Sewers are being installed, and new Industry is coming in to the area Public and High Schools where there are over 1200 pupils attending. An active Lions Club, a strong Legion, other Service and Fraternal Organizations

The spiritual needs of the community are amply taken care of by churches of various denominations

Highway 500

This highway when travelled eastward from Bancroft provides access to some beautiful backwoods country and productive lakes Some names to conjure with are Boulter and nearby Fraser Lake, Hardwood Lake and Weslemkoon Lake—the latter reached at its northern end from McArthur's Mills (the approach to the southern end of Lake Weslemkoon is from Highway 62 north of Bannockburn between Madoc and Bancroft)

McArthur s Mills in the south central line of the Madawaska Valley is "surrounded by beautiful streams and located near Wanamaker Lake about 23 miles east of Bancroft

You will get help where you see this sign

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'Here one may enjoy swimming, boating, hiking along forest trails, or just a plain restful, quiet holiday

'Best of all this is a fisherman's Paradise for small-mouth black bass, lake and speckled trout, pickerel and pike. For hunting there are deer, partridge and ducks in the area'.

This description applies equally to the other locales mentioned

If your "home base" is on or near highway 500, try circling around the area using highway 62 between Bancroft and Barry's Bay as one arc of your circle. If you have an eye for beauty you should enjoy these drives immensely. Be sure you have your camera with you

Lake Baptiste

The Lake Baptiste resort area is reached through turn-offs to the left of Highway 62 some four and seven miles north of Bancroft. Since the first turn-off serves the south shore of Lake Baptiste whilst the northern shore is served by the latter, care should be taken to be certain that the desired route is chosen else an unnecessarily long detour will result

Lake Baptiste itself is enthusiastically described as follows

In the middle 1800's John Baptiste Dafoe an Algonquin Indian of the Lake of Two Mountains decided to come north and west in search of a good hunting and trapping district. Today, twenty-five mile long Baptiste Lake, a widening of the York River, bears his name, and some of his descendents still live on its shores. The village of Baptiste clings to its water edge at the foot of a steep hill and roads lead from it to Highway 62 then east and north to Barry's Bay, and Ottawa or west and south to booming Bancroft and Toronto.

Baptiste Lake offers twenty-five miles of navigable waters and its widest reach is three miles. It is fed by rivers and streams flowing in from the limitless miles of virgin country north reaching into Algonquin Park. The I B & O. Railroad (Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa) now taken over by the C.N.R. was built along the south shore over seventy-five years ago, and has a grade leading away from the lake which is one of the steepest this side of the Rocky Mountains.

You will enjoy your vacation at any one of the Baptiste Lake Resorts. Here you will find sandy beaches for the children, trout, bass, pickerel and muskie fishing for the fishermen, some of the grandest scenery for the nature lover and artist, bushlands for the hunter, lovely rock formations for the stone collector, water sports for the venturesome and quiet peaceful surroundings for the lounger.

Decide now to spend your vacation in this area which captivated the great Canadian artist, David Milne, and where he painted many of his best pictures.

Maynooth

From Bancroft (1072 ft) the highway rises (and falls) to Maynooth (1295 ft) Here Highway 62 bears away to the northeast to meet Highway 60 at Barry's Bay and Highway 127 proceeds somewhat west of north until it meets Highway 60 about 28 miles to the west of Barry's Bay Both routes are scenic and one's choice must be left to the circumstances pertaining to one's plans If sojourning in the area, the triangle comprised of Highway 127 and the parts of Highways 60 and 62 make up a pleasant afternoon's drive and photogenic subjects and pleasant picnicking spots abound

Maynooth itself is a pleasant little village high on the brow of a hill Here are four churches, four well-equipped garages and a hotel Additionally, three general stores, a hardware store and two restaurants guarantee that the visitor will have his needs well looked after Some of the local "small fry" are branching out into the live bait business and solicit your support If you are not sport-minded and want a holiday free from work and worry "try one of our lovely lodges and enjoy our high altitude of 1500 ft and the restful bliss of our surrounding hills."

' Our claim to fame is excellent fishing, hunting and old time dancing We invite the naturalists to see our authentic Indian Pot Holes

"Should you care to live with us and be a member of our happy family the year round—we welcome you and invite you to share with us our modern five room school, bus transportation to high school, our excellent service club (Lions) and our Community Centre. We have good daily bus connections with any part of the province for your convenience"

Highway 127, from Maynooth

HIGHWAY 127 is the short route from **HIGHWAY 62** at Maynooth to Whitney and the Algonquin Park and enroute it opens up the important Lake St Peter Resort Area

Lake St. Peter

Like all the Madawaska Valley countryside there is charm and beauty in every vista Of Lake St Peter it can be said that it is a clear sparkling lake set in a ring of high hills Ringed with cottages and resorts it offers a variety of diversions besides the sandy beaches which attract the youngsters and the new Lake St Peter Provincial Park For the sportsman there is trout fishing and for the nature lover, old lumber trails provide access to the deep forest where one may inspect a beaver pond or indulge in bird-watch-

ing An excursion to nearby Algonquin Park enables the children (big or small) to feed the deer or one may explore the nature trails or visit the museum In the course of the trip one will cross the railway which carried the first wheat from the Canadian northwest to Montreal (the old Canada Atlantic Railway), now a part of the Canadian National Railways The stage coach road which gave the first overland connection between Belleville and Ottawa by way of Pembroke passes the head of Lake St Peter

Papineau Lake

Papineau Lake, a hidden lake, is one half mile from and just north of Highway 62 between Maynooth and Purdy

It is a beautiful Lake, 4 miles long, with wonderful sandy beaches and high rocky bluffs.

It is accessible from Highway 62 on the west along Papineau Creek, from the south off Highway 62 and on the East thru Purdy and Bells Rapids

They have lake trout, small mouth bass and pike with speckled trout and pike in near by smaller lakes It is only a short distance across the portage to Bark Lake

There are several housekeeping cottages camps and a dance hall with many private cottages

Purdy

Purdy is located on **HIGHWAY 62**, along the scenic lake of the same name "The Lake with the Island in the middle', formerly called Loon Lake.

It is primarily a speckled trout area with 9 near by productive trout lakes, Echo being the largest and best known, still produces some nice ones.

There is a service station, store, fire tower lookout close by, a diner sleeping cabins and several housekeeping cottage camps

It was the birth place of the late John Dafoe who, for many years was editor of the Winnipeg Free Press

Combermere

Combermere, a scattered community of about 250 population, lies where **HIGHWAY 62** crosses approximately the middle of a 38 mile stretch of navigable waterway on the Madawaska River. 925 foot elevation and free from hay fever

It has served the lumber industry in by gone days, under the name of Dennison's Bridge, when the square timber rafts were floated down from Algonquin Park to their destination in Ottawa, Quebec and across the seas to England. There are still signs of the old log drivers Chute where the timber was floated around the rapids on Byers Creek.

For that time it was a busy settlement with a tannery, woollen mill, grist mill, cheese factory, blacksmith and shoe shop, and two hotels which served the river drivers.

Craigmount Corundum Mine employed 1100 men and the main contact with Barry's Bay was by the 'Geneva" ore boat now called "the Old Scow" up the Marsh and the wood burning, steam rear paddle wheeler, "The Mayflower" which subsequently sank in Kamaniskeg Lake with the loss of 9 lives and strangely enough the only 3 men saved, floated to the island on a casket being carried on the boat.

The area was discovered many years ago by our Ohio and Pennsylvania fishermen who then came to Bancroft by train and the last 35 miles by horse and wagon. Later they had a two day trip by automobile along old single track dirt roads. Now they whiz up from Ohio in 11 to 15 hours on good highways.

We still serve many tourists with accommodation in American type lodges, housekeeping camps, modern motels, private cottages, camping, hunting, fishing and hiking. We have over 100 lakes within a 10 mile radius which have bass pike, walleyes, lake and speckled trout with some plantings of splake and Kamloops trout.

Combermere offers the Tourist the general services supplied by a community of its size and the resort operators and business men having these services listed on the insert are supporting our organization and solicit your patronage.

Up river there is the big lake, Kamaniskeg, with its high wooded shores and sandy beaches, Blackfish and Barry's Bay. Two miles below, Combermere, the York River flows into the Madawaska and forms the famous Conroys Marsh, with its 30 square miles of area. The York and Mississippi Creek, out of Weslemekoon Lake, give 24 miles of navigable

The man with this sign

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is progressive

Channel and many miles of fishable back water. A very satisfactory place for large mouth bass weed fishing, pike, walleyes, and ducks but the hunting area is limited as the central part is closed for a refuge

Our guests tell us our area is as nice as they have ever seen We have many circuitous routes to go fishing, explore some of our points of interest, climb a lookout, have a picnic drive, go rock hounding, take pictures of scenery or birds, have a partridge hunt or for just pure enjoyment of nature and quiet, away from the whiz of highway traffic, city noises, hustle and bustle.

We invite you to come early in the season to explore our area, come in the summer to enjoy your holidays and come in the fall when the trees are beautiful so you may relax before the long winter

Highway 517

From Combermere Highway 517 follows the west side of the Madawaska and York Rivers to The Carlow road and leads to Boulter, Fort Stewart and Herman.

Highway 515

On the East side of the river Highway 515 goes to Palmer Rapids and Quadeville and leads to the road through Schutt and Hardwood Lake which connects with the S E section of Madawaska Valley Area located in and around Denbigh and Griffith on Highway 41

Halfway

Halfway is halfway between Combermere and Barry's Bay on the old road before the new 62 Highway was built which follows the much shorter route along the main waterway to Barry's Bay

The old Halfway Road is 16 miles long, narrow but picturesque giving access to 16 fishing lakes in the immediate vicinity, Long, Dam, and Wadsworth Lakes being the most prominent Large Mouth Bass predominate although there are lake trout small mouth bass and pike

There are lodging and housekeeping accommodations and also a youth camp

Combermere to Barry's Bay

As you leave Combermere on **HIGHWAY 62** toward Barry's Bay you cross the Plains, formerly solid big red pine Later a turpentine factory cleaned up the stumps and the plains are now growing up in a new reforested plantation

Some of our guests as they travel over **HIGHWAY 62**, call it 'Sunset Drive" as the sun sinks over Blackfish Bay, Bedard Pond below Weasel Hill lookout and the waters of Barry's Bay as you approach the town of that name

Along the highway there are directions to several American plan lodges, motels, gift shop and trails to several hidden lakes, one not over 100 yds from the highway but still hidden.

Places Along Highway 60 enroute from Whitney to Killaloe

Driving east on Highway **60** through the Algonquin Provincial Park, the traveller enters the North Western side of the Madawaska Valley at the village of Whitney This picturesque little community is spread along the banks of the Madawaska River where it leaves Galeairy Lake, or what is now commonly called Long Lake

Historically, Whitney came into being when the Ottawa-Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway, built by the famous Canadian Lumber King J. R. Booth, and a group of Ottawa business men, reached west into the Park in 1895. With the coming of the railroad Sir James Whitney, then premier of Ontario and owner of the St Anthony Lumber Co sent his brother E. C Whitney to build and operate a saw mill on the Madawaska River at Whitney

The present townsite was named after Mr **E C** Whitney, and the house which was his home still stands

The first lumber of the new saw mill was used to build many of the homes and other establishments which are still there today

Whitney is adequately equipped to look after the vacationer, with suppliers of comfortable accommodation, provisions, motoring services etc., having their listings on the insert map inclosed with this brochure

L'Amable Creek

Some five miles East of Whitney Highway **60** crosses L'Amable Creek Many a trout fisherman has wet his line here, and to the

searcher of nature's beauty spots, a fleeting glimpse of a hidden waterfall may be seen to the right, just after crossing L'Amable Creek from the West

The Village of Madawaska

Ten miles East of Whitney lies the village of Madawaska Here Highway 60 again crosses the Madawaska River at the head of Bark Lake

The village of Madawaska was established before the coming of the railroad, which arrived in 1894 from Ottawa. Before the railroad Madawaska was a stop-over just off the old Opeongo trail for the sleigh trains of supplies moving north towards the timber limits in the Park Of course it was also a stopover place for the old time "log drivers" bringing the logs down the Madawaska River

With the coming of the railroad, Madawaska boomed, as the village was chosen for a divisional point, and it became a railroad town

When the Ottawa-Arnprior, Parry Sound Railroad ceased to operate right through to Parry Sound in later years, the old Round house for the steam engines was stripped down, but an interesting sight today, is the skeleton of concrete walls, which can be seen still standing to the north, as the traveller crosses the Highway bridge over the river

Carson Lake and Trout Lake

These lakes, some 12 or 13 miles east of Madawaska and 3 or 4 miles west of Barry's Bay on Highway 60 are nestled in a lovely panorama of wooded valleys and the view from a vantage point 1235 feet above sea level at the Government lookout on the Highway at Carson Lake, is one of incomparable breath-taking beauty If you pause in your travels long enough to take this in, we know you will join ranks with the hundreds of painters, camera enthusiasts and nature lovers who being attracted to the irresistible charm of this sylvan retreat, return to pay homage to it several times a year as it changes into its new seasonal finery

There are several Tourist Operators in this area whose modern, comfortable accommodations are a haven to the weary traveller

The vast open spaces and rolling countryside, dotted with clear sparkling spring fed lakes, and streams make for an ideal vacation Here one may enjoy to the fullest, the rich bounty of nature's gifts to this unspoiled and unexploited part of beautiful Madawaska Valley

One of the many pleasing attractions of this area could include a pleasing days outing by boat from Carson Lake into Trout Lake thence into Lepine Lake and finally into Greenan Lake While you glide over these clear still waters, you may revel in the songs of the woodland birds, the eerie cry of the loon and the antics of other wild life—undisturbed in their natural habitat Almost anywhere along the beautiful banks of these lakes one may stop for an occasional shore lunch and refreshments There are many huge shade trees, under whose leafy arms one may rest and contemplate the beauties of nature in quiet solitude or just do a little "sittin in the sun" on clean sandy beaches with an occasional refreshing swim or dip.

If you climb 100 or 200 feet anywhere on this trip you will be rewarded with a view of sublime grandeur.

Those who like to troll for lake trout, cast a lure in a cove for bass or fish a stream for speckled trout are also apt to be well repaid for their efforts

Wildflowers in profusion and various berries in season help to make the trip all the more interesting.

For the hiker and historically minded the area is steeped in the old traditions of the early settlers who pioneered this section of the Valley in the early 1800

The Provincial Park in this area provides the camper with excellent accommodations

Along many flower and tree bordered trails one may still find relics of bygone days The old Opeongo Trail may be travelled by the hiker seeking adventure and beauty

Barry's Bay

Nestled in the hills to the north of Kamniskeg Lake and some 125 miles northwest of Ottawa, the nation's capital, lies the resort centre and lumbering town of Barry's Bay Like the Capital all main roads in this area lead to this picturesque town surrounded by the lakes and forests from which its inhabitants gain their livelihood and the whir of the saw and the sight of trophies of the chase are as familiar to the residents as the noise of traffic and the smoke of industry are to the city dwellers, who flock here, in the appropriate seasons, to fish or hunt — or just to take it easy and fill their lungs with the clean, bracing, pine-scented breezes of the Madawaska Valley.

The man who displays this Sign believes your happiness contributes to his welfare

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The 2,000 odd residents of Barry's Bay boast the usual shopping facilities found anywhere in a village of this size There are three churches, two doctors, and a dentist The community is looking forward to the construction of a proposed modern thirty-bed Hospital, erection of which is expected to start in the very near future. The listings of the business men of the village who support our Madawaska Valley Tourist Association are found in the advertising insert, with the map of our area, included with this brochure

It may be mentioned here that there is a L C B O and Brewers Retail Store. The Legion and Lions Club are in strong evidence as are other service and fraternal organizations

For recreation there is a theatre dancing and a local baseball league

Barry's Bay was founded by one John Barry, late in the 19th century. The early settlers of the area and their descendents have built Barry's Bay into the prosperous and busy village that it is today Considerable impetus was given the growth of the town by the construction of the Canada Atlantic Railway (now part of the C N R.) to carry the timber to the Booth Lumber mills at Hull, Quebec

The C N R now provides a fast daily except Sunday service to the Capital with a Modern Day Liner leaving early in the morning and coming back in the evening A trip well worth the fare as part of your holidays, offering a picturesque ride plus a day in the Capital and no parking or driving problem to worry about Since the construction of this railway the lumbering industry has expanded to its present status so that Barry's Bay today is of major importance in the Canadian lumber world.

The Barrys Bay district is renowned throughout Canada and United States for its delightful summer resorts and its myriad lakes well stocked with speckled and lake trout, bass and pickerel and for its hinterland of forest and game country. Comfortable accommodations are available for the vacationer, hunter or fisherman, as are reliable guides

Appearing in ever increasing numbers on the shores of the "Hidden Lakes" around Barry's Bay, are the beautiful summer homes of people who have found the seclusion peace and quiet, they have been looking for

Barry's Bay is also on an alternate route from the Trans-Canada Highway 17, through Algonquin Provincial Park to the west and north

Wilno

A typically sprawling Canadian Village in the heart of the Madawaska Valley The village proper, built in a valley, is almost entirely surrounded by majestic hills

The people, mainly of Polish descent, are bush workers and farmers but because of the abundance of stone and the hilly nature of the countryside the farms are not efficiently productive. However, they are a treasure, a virtual paradise of beauty and knowledge for those seeking contact with the past. Log houses and barns, the rule rather than the exception. One of the few remaining places where the wooden hay rake and the scythe play an important role in hay production, as well as the grain cradle used in the harvest season. The farm wife still spins on the old fashioned wheel, and cards and weaves the product of their sheep on hand operated looms and cards.

While reverting to the old ways in farming, the farmer tends to lead a dual life in that he applies only the most modern methods in the production of saw logs and pulp. Exclusively used are the modern chain saw, the giant bulldozers and skidding machines for chewing into the ever productive forest.

Truly a land of beauty abounding in small lakes and trout filled streams. A land specially favoured by God for its nearness to Nature.

As one stands on the terraces of the impressive St. Mary's Church one mile east of the village you may grasp the feeling of history written when J. R. Booth gained control of the only railroad pass giving access to the richness of the virgin timber to the north in the 1870's.

To stand on the Provincial Government maintained, "Shrine Hill Lookout" and take in the view over Round Lake and Golden Lake as well as the multitude of stately hills and forests is a sight to be carried close to the heart always. Truly an artist's paradise the year round.

Killaloe

Killaloe is situated in the north-eastern section of the Madawaska Valley and is a check point in the Ontario Government Meteorological reports and is always mentioned by name in any complete weather forecast.

The original settlement, 2 miles north and called Old Killaloe, was built around the water powered stone grist mill which operated as such until 1945. They use the same power today to operate a woodworking plant. One resident who came here in 1898 says her first impression was just piles and piles of logs. It was named by a pioneer after his home town in Ireland. The present town developed after the coming of the railroad.

Killaloe is well served with good Highways and is a natural shopping centre for many resort areas in the vicinity, including Golden Lake.

Killaloe, a prettily shaded town itself, is surrounded by some beautiful wooded country, dotted with numerous lakes noted for their fishing and beauty.

The business and professional men of this town with a population of 850 supply the services for the surrounding area and tourists alike. There is an active Lions Club which own and operate the local community center.

HIGHWAY 521 crosses **HIGHWAY 60** at Killaloe The south branch goes to Brudenell and connects with roads to Combermere and Eganville The north branch circles Round Lake 10 miles to Bonnechere.

One mile east of Killaloe on Highway 60 is the Government Weather Station and the Emergency air field with grass strip, open in the summer only.

At Bonnechere there is an active Department of Transport Air Field, with a 6600' asphalt landing strip 200' wide, open the year round, attendant day and night, lights via radio request, contact for both fields through the Killaloe radio Gas available is 80-87-91-98-100-120 octane, oil, no fees, no hangar, no mechanic. Sea plane landing 1¼ miles at the Department of Lands and Forests wharf on Round Lake Location 45°40' N, 77°36' W Elevation 595' Vic Poland, mgr.

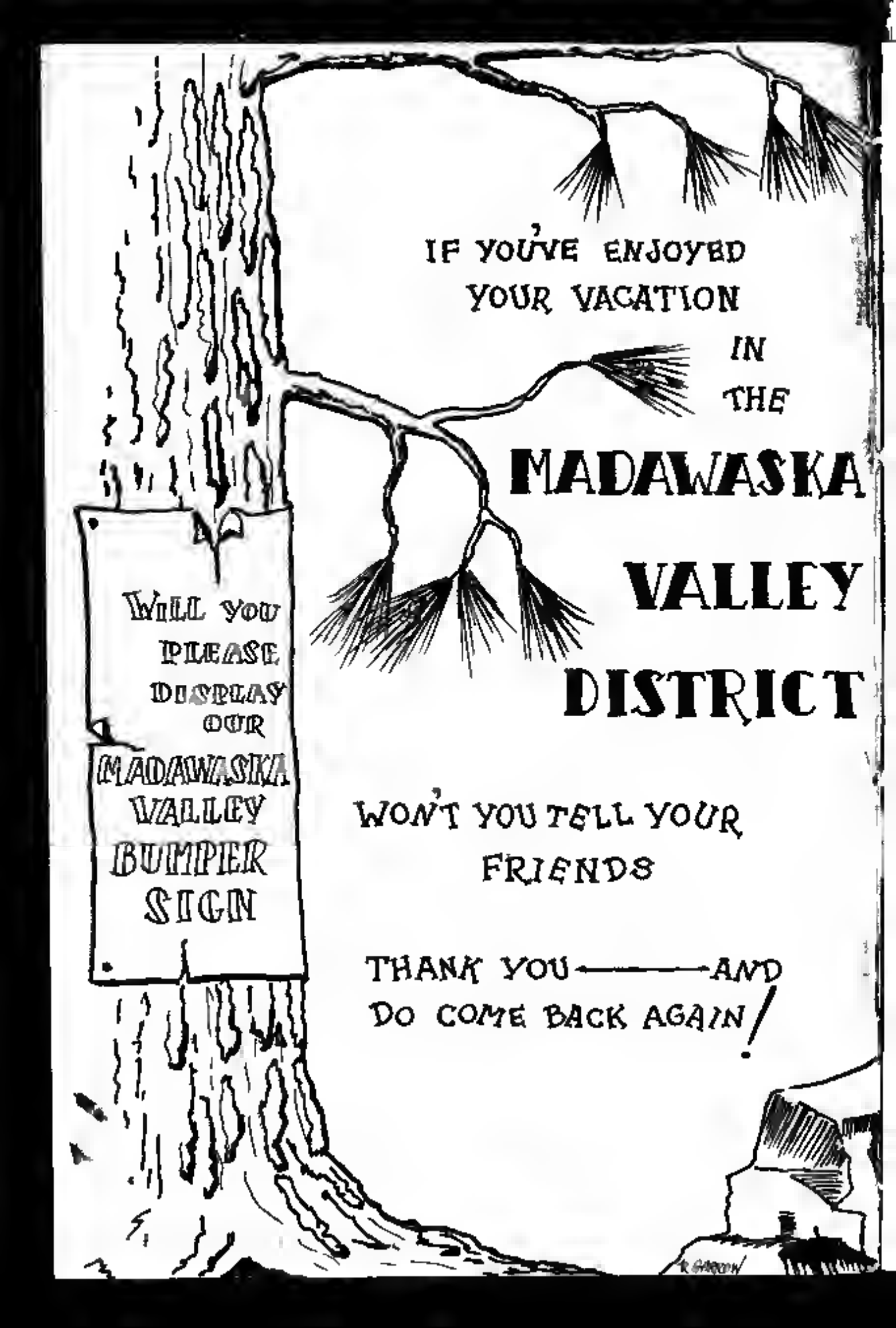
From Bonnechere, Highway 62 continues along Round Lake with its wonderful sandy beaches and on into the rugged hilly Indian River section to join the Trans Canada Highway 17 at Pembroke.

Please Come Again

Did you come in the springtime and enjoy our trout fishing? Were you amazed at the number and variety of birds? Were you startled by the cry of the bittern—or of the loon? Did you visit us in the summertime and enjoy those cool, quiet nights? ... Or did you come in late September or early October and see Nature's "Color on Parade" when Mother Nature appears in all her glory clothed in red and gold. Whenever it was, we trust that you found our brochure to be unexaggerated and that you received a warm welcome. If you experienced any unpleasantries or discourtesies from any of our members while on your trip will you kindly do us the favor of reporting the circumstances to the Association either at Barry's Bay or at Bancroft.

Please return again—and don't forget that a reservation prevents disappointment and allows you to enjoy each moment of your vacation with perfect peace of mind.

Safe Journey! Do come again.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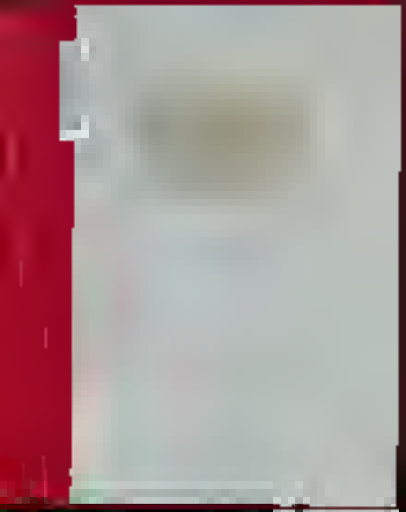

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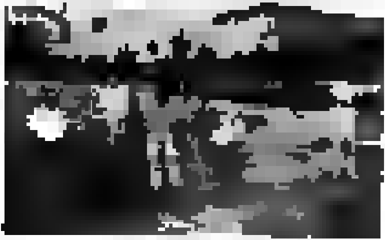

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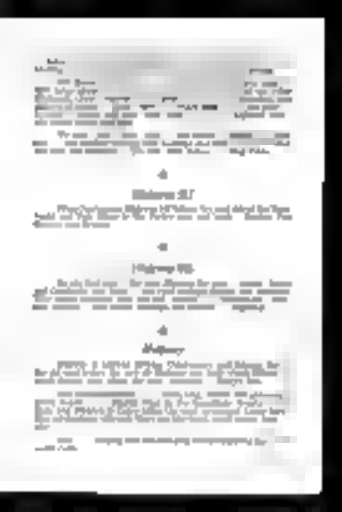

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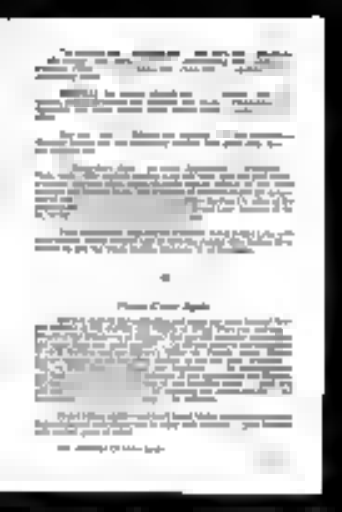

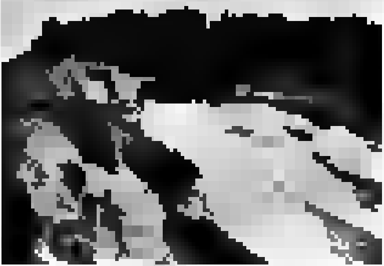

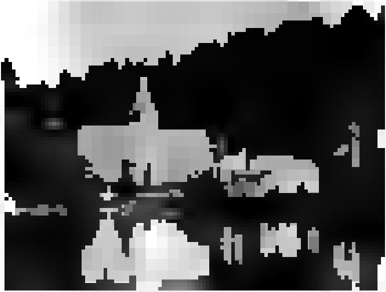

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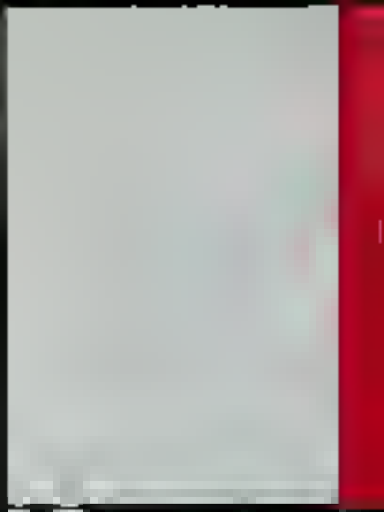
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